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TENSION IN THE LOWER VALLEY IS EASED BY PROMISE OF JAPANESE TO LEAVE SOON

Legionnaires will Aid Japanese in Recovering Money They Paid
to Los Angeles Oriental for Texas Farms--San
Benito Chamber of Commerce will Send
Delegate to State Capital.

FOUND ON DRIVEWAY WITH BULLET WOUND

BODY DRESSED IN NIGHTSHIRT
AND OVERCOAT AND BE-
LIEVED KILLED BY
PROWLER.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 8.—The body of O. V. Dodge, vice president of the Midland Insurance company, with a bullet wound through his head, was found early today on the driveway at his home here. The body was clad in a night shirt, overcoat and house slippers. A small revolver undischarged was found on the driveway. Near the body lay a 38-caliber revolver that did not belong to Mr. Dodge, members of the family said.

Members of the family said they believed Mr. Dodge heard the noise of a prowler during the night, dressed hurriedly, went out to investigate and was murdered.

ASSASSIN EXECUTED.

By Associated Press.

Seoul, Korea, Nov. 30.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The Korean who attempted to assassinate Admiral Saito, Governor General of Korea, on making his official entry into the capital was executed in Seoul prison yesterday morning.

HELD BY KIDNAPPERS.

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 8.—Jacques Villard, editor of the "Free Age," who disappeared in Chicago last December 27, arrived at his home here early today. Villard refused to make a statement, but detectives announced that he had been detained in Chicago by kidnappers.

OIL PRICE CUT.

By Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 8.—The price of Pennsylvania crude oil, on which is based the price of other crude oils in this country, was cut today from \$6.10 \$5.75 a barrel. This, the first reduction in crude oil in a number of years, was brought about, the principal purchasing agencies said, by a decreased demand.

CAN MILK A COW.

By Associated Press.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 8.—Vice-president-elect Coolidge can milk a cow, but he did not milk the one he was represented as milking in a photograph taken last July while he was on a vacation at his father's farm in Plymouth, Vt., after his nomination at Chicago. However, it was the cow's fault and not the Governor's.

In explaining the misrepresentation to Horace A. Moses, president of the Hampden County Improvement League, who was his host recently, Governor Coolidge said that cow was a creature of temperament and insisted on being milked indoors. The picture released to the press last summer, showed the candidate in the accepted position for milking, and apparently getting results.

"You see," he said, "she had always been accustomed to being milked indoors and when I approached her with a pail and milking stool she quite naturally and in accordance with long established precedent, started for the barn door."

It took several minutes of coaxing before the cow would so far depart from the law and order of her ways as to stand in the barnyard while the Governor made a pretence of milking her. To really do so out-of-doors was quite out of the question, he declared.

By Associated Press.

Brownsville, Texas, Jan. 8.—Tension in the lower Rio Grande Valley over the arrival of prospective Japanese colonists today appeared greatly eased as the result of the promise by two Japanese families at Harlingen to return to California. Members of the American Legion post at Harlingen pledged their aid in the recovery of \$13,000 which the Orientals said they had contracted and paid partly in cash to Z. Yamata for farming property near Harlingen. Yamata is a resident of Los Angeles, California.

Send Delegate to Austin.

San Benito, Texas, Jan. 8.—The directorate of the San Benito district chamber of commerce meeting last night adopted a resolution authorizing the sending to Austin next week of a representative "to impress upon state officials the determination of the people of the Lower Rio Grande Valley to have protection against Japanese colonization." The chamber has a membership of 550 farmers and business men. There was a large attendance at the meeting.

RECOVERED SANITY SAID GOV. HARDING

NEITHER EXTREME PESSIMISM
NOR OPTIMISM PREVAILS
AND DANGER IS
OVER.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 8.—The nation has recovered its financial sanity and is not troubled so much with either extreme pessimism or optimism, W. G. Harding, governor of the federal reserve board, said in his address published here today. He asserted that danger of a general collapse had passed and the worst undoubtedly was over. "The country generally has recovered its normal state," he said. "We are no longer afraid. We are not indulging in the old idea of extravagance and living beyond our means."

POLICE BARRACKS SCENE OF ATTACKS

PARTY AMBUSHED MILITARY
RELIEF FORCE BUT WERE
DRIVEN OFF WITH
SOME LOSS.

By Associated Press.

Dublin, Jan. 8.—The police barracks of Tramore in county Waterford in the martial law area were attacked last evening. A military party which was sent to the relief of the police was ambushed near Tramore, it was officially stated today. After heavy fighting, the statement says, members of the ambushing party were dispersed, leaving three dead. The statement adds that it is believed the attacking force suffered other casualties.

MANILA CHINESE HELP.

By Associated Press.

Manila, P. I., Nov. 20.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The Chinese of Manila have sent \$180,000 in cash and 2,000 pieces of clothing to the famine sufferers of China. The local Chinese plan to add at least \$100,000 additional to the relief fund. Foodstuffs, such as rice which the relief committee had expected to purchase in this market, will not be bought on account of the high prices prevailing.

DOES NOT WARRANT AN INVESTIGATION

PROBE OF COAL PRICES TO GOV-
ERNMENT IN 1920 TURNS
OUT TO BE MARE'S
NEST.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Evidence of prices charged the government for coal in 1920 submitted to the department of justice by the senate committee on reconstruction appears not to warrant "or even require" investigation, acting Attorney General Nebeker announced today.

RECORD EARTHQUAKE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 8.—A moderate earthquake disturbance was recorded this morning on the seismograph at the Georgetown University here. Father Tondorf, director of the observatory, said indications were that the disturbance was 2,400 miles from Washington, probably within continental United States.

PASTOR ARRESTED.

By Associated Press.

Passaic, N. J., Jan. 8.—Rev. Cornelius Densel, former pastor of the First Netherlands Reformed church here, was arrested today on a federal warrant charging violation of the Mann act. The arrest was the result of the alleged elopement of the clergyman with Miss Trina Hanneberg of this city, a former member of his church.

ALLEN AS TREASURER.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Guy F. Allen of Somerset, Maryland, was nominated today by President Wilson to be treasurer of the United States. Allen, who has been assistant treasurer, succeeds John Burke, whose resignation was accepted yesterday by the president.

SERVICE RESTORED.

By Associated Press.

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 14.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Coast Guard cutter service was restored to Hawaiian waters today after an interval of nearly four years, with the arrival of the Eagle boat Earp. It will be stationed permanently at Pearl Harbor for exclusive duty about the island ports.

Dispatch of the Earp from Mare Island followed the request of customs authorities for a ship to undertake patrol duty because of unusual activity on the part of opium smugglers. Large amounts of the drug have been confiscated in the island during the past few weeks. Customs authorities, aided by divers loaned by the Pearl Harbor naval station, recently took from the bottom of Honolulu Harbor nearly 800 tons of opium valued at \$90,000.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
Tonight and Sunday fair.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:
Max. temp. 83 degs.
Min. temp. 57 degs.
General direction of wind: South-east.
Clear.

STATEMENT OF THE LAREDO NATIONAL BANK LAREDO, TEXAS.

At the Close of Business, May, 4th 1920, as rendered to the Comptroller of the Currency
CONDENSED.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts \$2,061,689.91
United States Bonds 237,050.00
Other Bonds and Securities 2,401.47
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank 12,000.00
Redemption Fund with
U. S. Treasurer 10,000.00
Banking House, Furniture
and Fixtures 50,000.00
Interest earned, not collected,
approximate 5,837.40
Cash and Exchange 1,450,437.89
Total \$3,829,416.67

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock \$200,000.00
Surplus Fund 200,000.00
Undivided Profits, net 51,971.98
Unearned Interest
approximate 27,864.04
Reserved for Taxes 9,007.33
Circulation 189,500.00
Rediscounts 25,000.00
Other Liabilities 9,387.68
Deposits 3,110,385.66
Total \$3,829,416.67

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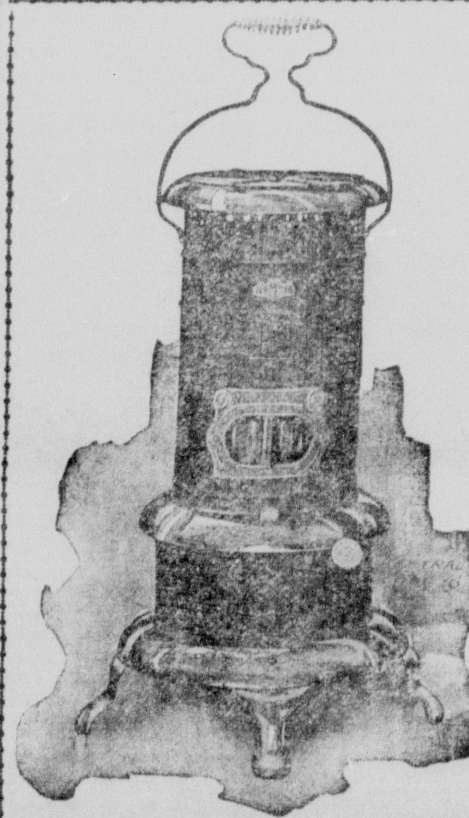
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PERSISTENCE.

With a persistence worthy of a better cause, Japanese families continue to come to the Lower Valley country with the purpose of settling on land in that section.

And with a determination which speaks well for their American ideals and their intention to keep their section free from the yellow scourge that has ruined so many farming districts in California, the citizens of the valley have met each party of the undesirable invaders and told them plainly to "move on."

According to reports, the trouble began with some of the real estate dealers of that section, who were so eager to make sales of farming lands that they sold to the first comers, and thus laid the train for an explosion at some not far distant date.

The people of the Lower Valley come from many widely separated sections of the country, with Northern men predominating. They came because they liked the climate and the soil, and because the valley presented a better opportunity to gain a competence, or to permit the man who had retired from active work to settle down and enjoy life while continuing to raise crops than other regions.

These men are not of the sort who are disposed to permit undesirables to locate in their midst. They are men who want the best for themselves and their families; the best society, the best schools and churches, and the best neighbors on adjoining farms.

They have done much toward the development of that section, which but a few years ago was a wilderness covered with mesquite, through which the river ran without aiding in any way in the growing of crops.

They have created new towns, they have built up irrigation systems that have made a desert blossom like the rose, they have established schools and all the refining influences of the communities from which they came.

It is natural that such people should object to the presence among them of the undesirable Orientals. They do not care to move away, nor will they permit their wives and children to be submitted to the contaminating influence of an immoral race, bent upon getting all that can be got out of the ground and sending the profits of their labor to a foreign land.

These colonists are not the only ones who are living in that section. There are thousands of native citizens, the descendants of generations of Mexicans who farmed there since time immemorial. They are a law-abiding race, and they have suffered much from the incursions of the various bands of outlaws who made use of the friendly shelter of this country when pursued by the troops of their native land, and then repaid the hospitality by raiding the unprotected ranches.

The people of the Lower Valley are well within their rights when they determine that no undesirables shall live among them. They have bought and paid for their land, they have made it productive, they have paid taxes to maintain schools and their just share of the cost of maintaining the churches, and they are willing to do all they can to make of their garden of Eden a place where the flaming sword of patriotism shall keep out those who may be likened to the weeds among the fruit and flowers.

The American Legion has again shown that it is 100 per cent American. It has done much toward aiding those who were alien to our ideals to educate themselves for citizenship, but it recognizes that no one of that Oriental race has made or ever will make a good and desirable citizen.

What action on the part of our federal government this act of the Valley people may result in is problematical. But in the absence of any mistreatment or abuse of the intruders there would seem to be no reason for Washington to interfere. The Japanese were merely told that they were undesirable as residents, and they left. That's all.

FIGHT FOR SUPREMACY.

Although the census committee of the national house has reported favorably the Slogel bill fixing the membership of the house at 483, giving Texas an increase of three members, it is known that the Republican leaders are planning an attack on the representation of the various Southern states, basing their demand that the Southern representation be decreased on charges that a part of the legal voters are kept from exercising the franchise; in other words, they demand that the representation in all the Southern states be reduced in proportion to the number of negroes who are prevented from voting.

Of course, this charge is intended to reduce the representation in congress of those states where the Democratic party is in power and thus give the Republicans a still greater dominance in congress. The constitution forbids tampering with the senate, so the only thing with which the Republican leaders can meddle is the Southern representation in the lower house.

Negroes vote in Texas, and while there may be some districts in which their vote is not cast in full strength, still there is no restriction of the

right to vote because of race.

In some other states the negro vote is reduced by the state law requiring would-be voters to show that their grandfathers were possessed of the franchise, which naturally bars all descendants of slaves, and as a consequence all other negroes who were born in the state.

It is natural that the Southern people should resent the granting of the franchise to the negroes. In some sections the negroes are in such overwhelming preponderance that no white man could be elected to office were the negroes to be given the franchise. This is shown by the fact that in some sections where the two races are more nearly divided negroes are elected to certain offices, despite the opposition of the whites.

It must be remembered that there are still living many who remember the period of "reconstruction," when black legislatures, elected by the votes of the negroes and of the scalawags who came to prey upon an unfortunate people in their helplessness, robbed the state treasuries, incurred debts which it took years to pay off and committed some of the worst abuses that history has ever recorded.

It is with this in mind that the people of the South have determined that they shall never be dominated by the negro. Of the more than ten millions of negroes in the entire country, nearly eight millions live in eleven Southern states. And in some sections they outnumber the white residents as high as eight or ten to one.

The people of the North, some of whom rarely see a negro, and none of whom have to come in contact with them, cannot understand the situation as we know it. They don't understand that the bulk of the negroes are ignorant, if not illiterate, and that they are easily led by those who desire to exploit them, forgetting all past benefits and regardless of those to come.

Some half-educated negro with a "degree" from a correspondence school tells the negroes that they should be self-governing. Without the slightest knowledge of even the rudiments of politics, they stampede to the polls—where permitted—and elect the self-imposed leader to some office. If he is wise, he accepts the empty honor and does not qualify.

The leaders in congress understand this situation thoroughly. It cannot be said of them that they are really exercised over the woes of the negro. They merely want to take advantage of the situation and, by reducing the Southern representation in congress, gain a greater dominance in the nation's affairs, both as individuals and as partisans.

The issue will be fought to the bitter end by all those who love justice. The time has not yet come for negro domination of the South.

Inventor in Town.

Dr. T. T. Cater, the new dentist in Wilcox Bldg. has recently been granted a patent on an electric vulcanizer, a machine that all dentists use in making and repairing all kinds of rubber plates. This machine is not only an electric, but a kerosene likewise, as the same principal that governs the wick in the kerosene governs the rheostat in the electric. Thereby being a double machine and one that stands alone, there is none other like it in the world. The doctor wants a man who has time and means to take this back East to Boston and Philadelphia to demonstrate for him, as he cannot take the time from his business just now. He will teach any one who will come to his office, so they will be thoroughly acquainted with it. He has used this machine at least a hundred times and knows that he really has a machine that stands alone and one that does the work better than the dentist can himself. It saves all the time in vulcanizing and comes as a great help to the busy dentist and they all are at times.

You're Sick! You're Tired! You're Nervous! Why?

To-day's call on the vitality is tremendous! Only those with strong nerves pull through with success! You need help! Something to renew wasted nerve tissues, put red corpuscles into your blood, and carry you through and "over the top." You need

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for this impaired condition. Stop the brain fog, the irritability, the nervous indigestion, the restless sleep, the tired and exhausted condition that is becoming habitual with you. Take Sensapera for ten days and your nerve health should double, try it and see how health and energy will come back and put you in the front ranks. Two sizes, 50c. and \$1.00 at your Druggist or from

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Bilious Headache.

When you have a severe headache, a disordered stomach and constipation, take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will correct the disorders of the liver and bowels, effectually curing the headache.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 7.

1718—Gen. Israel Putnam, Revolutionary hero, born at Salem, Mass. Died at Brooklyn, Conn., May 19, 1790.

1767—Thomas Clap, for over a quarter of a century president of Yale College, died at New Haven, Conn. Born at Scituate, Mass., June 26, 1703.

1798—A French army entered Switzerland with a design to revolutionize the cantons after the model of the French republic.

1847—Mexican congress ordered sequestration of church property to raise funds for the war with the United States.

1862—The French army landed at Vera Cruz, Mexico.

1879—Marriage of King William III of Holland and Princess Emma of Waldeck-Pyrmont.

1890—Brazil issued a decree for the separation of church and state.

1896—The German Emperor announced he would not recognize any claim to British suzerainty in the Transvaal.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 7.

Sir Gordon Hewart, Attorney General of Great Britain, born at Bury, England, 51 years ago today.

Dr. Lotus Dean Coffman, president of the University of Minnesota, born at Salem, Ind., 46 years ago today.

Dr. Charles A. Richmond, chancellor of Union College, born in New York City, 69 years ago today.

Maurice E. McLoughlin, former world's lawn tennis champion, born at Carson City, Nev., 31 years ago today.

NOTICE OF SALE.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the District Court of Webb County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court, on the 26th day of November, A. D. 1920, in Cause No. 5295, on the docket of said Court, wherein Juana Romo de Rosetti, is plaintiff, and D. B. Chapin is defendant, ordering the sale of the property hereinafter described as under execution, I did on the Sixth day of January, A. D. 1921, at 10 o'clock A. M., levy upon the following described property, to-wit: All the right, title and interest which the said defendant, D. B. Chapin, has in and to that large tract of land, situated and being partly in Webb County and partly in Zapata County, in the State of Texas, which said large tract of land is known and called the Jose Vasquez Borrego Grant, which said tract of land consists of sixty-four leagues, and contains an aggregate of about 282,392 acres.

And on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1921, being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day at the Court House door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said D. B. Chapin in and to said property. Dated at Laredo, Texas, this Sixth day of January, A. D. 1921.

ANTONIO SALINAS, Sheriff of Webb County, Texas. By F. H. LIGARDE, Deputy.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County,—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice.

To all persons interested in the Estate of Bernabe Gutierrez, Biviana Gutierrez, Virginia Gutierrez and Isidoro Gutierrez, minors: Edmundo Acosta D'Edenreich has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application for guardianship of the persons and estate of the said minors, which will be heard at the next term of the County Court which convened on the Third Monday of January, A. D. 1921, said day being the 17th day of said month, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return. Given under my hand and seal of office, in the City of Laredo, Texas, the 6th day of January, A. D. 1921.

Attest: J. A. RODRIGUEZ, Clerk, Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas.

We Buy Rags.

Wash all the old rags that you have and bring them to The Times office. Best prices paid. Rags must be soft and clean.

11-13-4f.

TWO SMUGGLERS ARE SLAIN AND QUANTITY BOOZE TAKEN

BATTLE TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT NEAR ZAPATA GAS FIELDS

Four Pack Animals Are Killed and Booze Seized; Rangers in Command Sergeant Kean Escape Unhurt.

Last night shortly after 9 o'clock a telephone message was received in Laredo from the Zapata county gas field giving the information that a battle in the dark had taken place near the gas field between six state rangers of Captain Ryan's company in command of Sergeant Kean and a band of twelve or fifteen Mexican smugglers. More than a hundred shots were fired by both sides in the conflict and at the time the report reached here the battle was still on, having resolved itself into a running fight, with the rangers pursuing the smugglers toward the Rio Grande.

In the battle two of the smugglers were killed, two pack mules were killed and two pack horses were killed and a large quantity of Mexican liquors were seized from the pack trains. None of the rangers were hurt.

Captain Ryan, who happened to be in Laredo at the time of the fight, left here in his car immediately upon receipt of the news accompanied by Customs Inspector Robert Rumsey and reached the scene of the fight, which was on the Jennings ranch, sixty miles from Laredo, about 1 o'clock this morning.

Up to noon today the two smugglers killed in battle with the rangers last night had not been identified, but Captain Ryan is on the ground trying to learn the names of the two men. Their bodies will be buried this afternoon near where they fell and the seized booze taken from the four pack animals will be brought to Laredo and turned over to the authorities by the rangers.

Body Embalmed and Held Here.

A telegram received here by Undertaker Jackson from Mrs. J. O. McDough, of Taylor, wife of the unfortunate victim of the fall from the Mexican side of the international footbridge early yesterday morning, instructed that the body be embalmed and held pending further instructions. It is probable that the body will be sent to the home in Taylor for interment.

CHARMING ENTERTAINMENT AT THE ROYAL LAST NIGHT

Local Performers Cover Themselves With Glory and Delight Crowded House at Orphans Benefited.

The Royal Opera House was filled to the doors last night when the "Circulo Artistico Recreativo" gave an entertainment under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. Institute for the benefit of the children of the Laredo Orphanage on the Heights.

The performance was a credit to the talented amateurs who gave it, and delightful music was furnished by the Royal orchestra.

The sailors chorus from "La Gran Via" was well rendered by a group of young ladies, dressed respectively as sailors and sailor lasses, and was well received. Four little ones repeated the Old English dance "Bean Porridge Hot" which was a feature of the Christmas entertainment of the Institute, and then three young ladies gave the Jota de los Ratas from "La Gran Via."

The farce "Gracias a Dios que Esta Puesta la Mesa" was well rendered by three young ladies and three gentlemen, whose work showed much study and gave promise of much success in after years.

The monologue "Mi Patria" by Mr. J. J. Portugal portrayed a battle scene, and there was the usual flag-waving and tributes to Mexico that brought forth ringing applause from the Mexican portion of the audience. A tableau, with young ladies presenting the parts of La Patria, America, Fame, Glory and two nurses, was very effective, and was presented to the music of the Mexican National hymn.

But when the orchestra attempted to play the American National hymn, they showed a lamentable lack of acquaintance with it, and the American part of the audience was not so well pleased.

In the Polichinela chorus from "Chin-Chun-Chan" eight young ladies formed a pleasing and colorful background for Miss Carmen Sanchez, who was easily the star of the evening and had to answer two recalls. The grace of the young ladies and their ease of manner would have done credit to a chorus of "broilers" on Broadway.

The entertainment closed with a diverting comedy, "The Country House," performed by local talent, and the audience was delighted throughout with the entire program.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN, Secretary.

A. J. NEFF, President.

EXPECT A CAPACITY CROWD TO WITNESS INITIAL CARD

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR BOXING BOUTS TONIGHT

Memberships Will Be Sold From 6 to 8 at Skating Rink This Evening; There Are Few Seats Left.

With the initial boxing card on the program tonight at the Lincoln Skating Rink and the sale of almost 400 seats reported made to members, those who have failed to take out membership cards will be afforded their last opportunity this evening from 6 to 8 o'clock, when memberships will be sold at the skating rink, but after that time no further memberships will be sold, as by then the house will have sold its entire seating capacity.

The boxing card will start promptly as 8:30 o'clock tonight and the different participants in the various bouts are today undergoing their final training. This card promises to be the most interesting of its kind ever held in Laredo and, being the first of a series of monthly bouts which will be staged by the club, naturally the first card will be the best. If you are a fight fan and want to see the bouts tonight get your membership card before 8 o'clock or you will have cause to regret your act.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

At the Rialto Today.

"When Men Betray," written and directed by Ivan Abramson and which is playing the Rialto Theatre today, is a red-blooded drama pulsing with life, and is bound to create a sensation. It is more than a photoplay, in the original sense of the word; it is a page taken from the book of life and the characters are real human beings rather than mere puppets of a director's imagination. The story abounds in dramatic situations which follow swiftly upon each other and build up to startling and effective climaxes.

At the Strand Today.

The southwestern frontier in the olden, golden days is the scene of William S. Hart's new picture, "The Toll Gate." It is the first of the big productions made by Mr. Hart's own company under his own supervision to be released by Paramount Arteract. The Strand Theatre will show it today only. As Black Deering, the hero, Mr. Hart has the role of the leader of a bandit band who is betrayed by one of his own men. He dashes away from his captors and, losing the sheriff's posse after a series of thrilling episodes, he comes upon the lonely cabin where the wife of his betrayer lives. He slays the traitor and then, touched to the heart by the kindness of the innocent wife and her child, he gives himself up to the law. But an understanding sheriff allows him to depart over the Mexican border to freedom.

At the Royal Today.

"The Broken Gate," a Hodgkinson-released picture starring Bessie Barriscale, begins a two-days' showing at the Royal Theatre today. This picture is a dramatization of the famous Emerson Hough novel of the same name has been handled in a very capable manner, and presents one of the strongest stories ever seen on the screen. The theme of "The Broken Gate" is wide and "different" from the average motion picture entertainment. It is the sort of entertainment that is badly needed—good, strong pictures with a moral that get across without being "preachy." Miss Barriscale has risen to emotional heights hitherto unattained in her career. As "Aurora Lane, the best-known woman in Spring Valley and the woman with the least reputation," her characterization reveals a sympathy and sincerity that are not often found.

ENGINEER ROLLINS LEAVES ENGINEER SPENCE ARRIVES

Departing Engineer Goes to Assume New Duties With Firm in Dallas; Other Takes His Place Here.

J. G. Rollins, for the past year serving in the capacity of county highway engineer of Webb county, left today in his car for Dallas, where he goes to become associated with the Nagel-Rollins Engineering Co. Mrs. Rollins preceded him to Dallas several days ago.

T. R. Spence of Austin, who was recommended by the State Highway Commission as a successor to Mr. Rollins and was appointed by the commissioners court to the position, arrived yesterday and assumed charge of his duties as county highway engineer.

Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get rid of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FIRST STATE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY.

At Laredo, Texas, At the Close of Business on the 29th Day of December, 1920.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	596,947.63
Loans, Real Estate	40,017.48
Overdrafts	8,052.91
Script and warrants	153.90
Furniture and Fixture	5,800.00
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	212,033.92
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	9,426.38
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	345.70
Other Resources as follows:	
\$147,680.72 Mexican money carried at 15c.	22,152.10
Total	\$903,930.50

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus	38,000.00
Undivided profits, net	6,308.57
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	21,134.19
Individual Deposits subject to check	556,940.26
Time Certificates of Deposit	149,604.63
Cashier's checks	12,948.90
Other Liabilities as follows:	
\$126,626.26 Mexican money deposits carried at 15c.	18,993.95
Total	\$903,930.50

State of Texas, County of Webb, ss: We, R. K. Mims, as president, and L. A. Lafon, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

R. K. MIMS, President.
L. A. LAFON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, A. D. 1921.

WILL W. GREGG, Notary Public, Webb Co. Tex.

Correct—Attest:

R. A. MILLAR,
JOHN T. HALSELL,
PABLO B. JUAREZ,
Directors.

RECAPITULATION.

Loans and Discounts	\$654,171.92
Furniture and Fixtures	5,800.00
Cash and Sight Exchange	234,186.02
Interest in Guaranty Fund	9,772.56
Total	\$903,930.50

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus	38,000.00
Undivided profits	6,308.57
Deposits	759,621.93
Total	\$903,930.50

MONITION.

In the United States District Court For the Southern District of Texas.

United States of America vs. Five Hundred and Twelve Dollars and Ninety-three Cents, U. S. Currency and U. S. Coin. No. D. L. 209.

Whereas, the U. S. District Attorney has filed suit to forfeit and condemn the hereinafter property, which suit was filed on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1920, said property being now in custody of the United States Attorney, described as follows: Five Hundred and Twelve Dollars and Ninety-three Cents, U. S. Currency and U. S. Coin, being amount deposited by A. J. de Tijerina for appearance of M. G. Tijerina before the U. S. Commissioners' Court on Nov. 18, 1913. For the causes set forth in the libel now pending in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, at Laredo, I hereby give notice to all persons claiming the said described property, or knowing or having anything to say why the same should not be condemned and forfeited, and the proceeds thereof distributed according to the prayer of the libel, that they be and appear before the said Court, to be held in and for the Southern District of Texas, at the United States Court Room, in the City of Laredo on the 10th day of January, 1921, at 10 o'clock on the forenoon of that day, if the same shall be a day of jurisdiction, otherwise on the next day of jurisdiction thereafter, then and there to interpose a claim for the same, and to make their allegations in that behalf.

J. A. HERRING,
U. S. Marshal Sou. Dist. of Texas.
By ALLEN WALKER, Deputy.

Constipation.

Constipation of the bowels is a stoppage of the sewerage system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the wastes of your home be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS STATE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY.

At Laredo, Texas, At the Close of Business on the 29th Day of December, 1920.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$361,621.15
Loans, real estate	48,000.00
Other real estate	10,633.84
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	243,721.23
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,721.52
Other resources: Coll. Account	5,395.33
Total	\$677,093.12

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	\$125,000.00
Undivided profits, net	25,571.22
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, net	523.50
Individual Deposits, subject to check	483,642.18
Time Certificates of Deposit	38,972.26
Cashier's checks	3,061.69
Other Liabilities: Reserved for taxes	322.27
Total	\$677,093.12

State of Texas, County of Webb, ss: We, L. Villegas, as president, and D. M. Valdez as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

L. VILLEGAS, President.
D. M. VALDEZ, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of January, A. D. 1921.

C. M. de la GARZA, Notary Public, Webb Co. Tex.

Correct—Attest:

B. G. SALINAS,
M. FERRARA VOLPE,
A. M. GONZALEZ,
Directors.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR OFFICIALS ARE HERE

THE DELEGATION IS HEADED BY PRESIDENT SAMUEL GOMPERS

Arrived This Morning and Leave Tonight

Was Very Weak

"After the birth of my baby I had a back-set," writes Mrs. Mattie Crosswhite, of Glade Spring, Va. "I was very ill; thought I was going to die. I was so weak I couldn't raise my head to get a drink of water. I took . . . medicine, yet I didn't get any better. I was constipated and very weak, getting worse and worse. I sent for Cardui."

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I found after one bottle of Cardui I was improving," adds Mrs. Crosswhite. "Six bottles of Cardui and . . . I was cured, yes, I can say they were a God-send to me. I believe I would have died, had it not been for Cardui." Cardui has been found beneficial in many thousands of other cases of womanly troubles. If you feel the need of a good, strengthening tonic, why not try Cardui? It may be just what you need.

All Druggists

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A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

- JANUARY 6.**
- 1730—Thomas Chittenden, first State governor of Vermont, born at East Guilford, Ct. Died at Williston, Vt., Aug. 25, 1797.
- 1839—Many lives lost and ships wrecked in a great storm on the west coast of England.
- 1840—Fanny Burney, popular English authoress, died. Born June 13, 1752.
- 1843—John C. Spooner, for many years U. S. senator from Wisconsin, born at Lawrenceburg, Ind. Died in New York City, June 11, 1919.
- 1866—The first Methodist Episcopal church in Denmark was dedicated.
- 1885—Great Britain proclaimed a protectorate over Pondoland.
- 1900—British repulsed a fierce attack by the Boers on Wagon Hill, at Ladysmith.
- 1904—Twenty persons killed and many injured in a railroad wreck near Willard, Kas.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

- JANUARY 6.**
- Adeline Genie, one of the world's most famous dancers, born in Denmark, 45 years ago today.
- Henry E. Dixey, long a popular favorite among American playgoers, born in Boston, 62 years ago today.
- Joseph Medill Patterson, author of "The Boy Who Sailed," born in Chicago, 42 years ago today.
- Duncan U. Fletcher, senior United States senator from Florida, born in Sumter County, Ga., 62 years ago today.
- Woodbridge N. Ferris, former governor of Michigan, born at Spencer, N. Y., 68 years ago today.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

- JANUARY 6.**
- Admiral Jellicoe paid official visit to Washington.
- Polish forces captured Dvinsk from the Bolsheviks.



SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

Mrs. Agnes Huberich will entertain the Married Ladies Social Club at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Norwood Witting will entertain the Thursday Bridge Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

General Mention.

Mrs. J. R. Moore and little daughter, Mary Jo, went to San Antonio on Tuesday night for a short stay.

Mrs. A. C. Hamilton returned on Tuesday from Beaumont where she enjoyed the week-end with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hal Greer.

Mrs. A. J. Elstetter returned Tuesday from San Antonio, where she went to attend the marriage of her son, Leo Anthony Elstetter and Miss Elizabeth Lee Woods, which took place on Monday evening. While in San Antonio Mrs. Elstetter was the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. S. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hauser and little daughter were among the arrivals in the city on Tuesday afternoon and are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Merriman. Mr. Hauser expects to leave today for Mexico on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mackin and daughter, Miss Ethel Mackin, motored to San Antonio yesterday for a several days' stay.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morrison and sister, Miss Smith, after a pleasant stay in the city have returned to San Antonio.

Miss Helen Howendobler of Tulsa, Okla., teacher of expression at the Institute, leaves today for Dallas with Miss Vera Sturges, Field Secretary, to attend a meeting of the Field Secretaries.

Judge G. A. Welhausen of Encinal is in the city for a visit, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Alfred Matthews.

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Threadgill left this morning for McKinney in response to a message advising her of the serious illness of her father, Judge J. L. Doggett, of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wray and baby arrived in the city this morning. They are newly appointed missionaries to Mexico and will go on to their work as soon as passport arrangements are made.

Announcement.

Christ Church Choir will give a concert at Elks Hall Thursday, Jan. 27, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Presbyterian Brotherhood Meets.

At this evening in the Church Annex there will be a meeting of the Men's Brotherhood of the Presbyterian Church. A tamale supper will be the nature of the meeting and it is given in honor of the newly-elected officers of the church. A cordial invitation is given to all the men of the church and of the congregation to be present. Mr. James H. Wray, who is en route to Mexico as a missionary of the Presbyterian Church, will be present. Mr. Wray was a first lieutenant in the air service during the war, received his training in this country and serving for many weeks over the lines in France.

Parish Guild Meeting.

The Parish Guild of Christ Church held a most interesting business meeting yesterday afternoon at the Rectory with Mrs. C. W. Cook. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. H. W. Johnston; the secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. MacGregor gave the financial report for the year. Letters of thanks and appreciation from the Box Secretary and Custodian of the United Offerings were read. Mrs. Johnston read the plan for the new Box work of the Auxiliary and then read the quota to be given by this branch of the Auxiliary. The box will be sent in June. It was voted to send five dollars to the scholarship for the Indian Girl in Alaska as or part of the pledge. A card from Mrs. G. C. Woodman from Los Angeles, Cal., to the Guild, was read; she said she had attended a sale of fancy articles by the Parish Guild of that place and the articles did not begin to come up to the Laredo Parish guild sales and they "needed the Laredo Live Wires to help them up." The next meeting will be with Elmer Anderson on the Heights and delegates will be appointed to attend the Council which meets in Victoria on Jan. 19 and 20. Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames Arkles, Anderson, MacGregor, McKinney, Mussett, Mims, Puster, Vidales, Johnston, Kehl, Lusk, Young, Yeunkin, Cook, and Miss Martha Anderson.

Bridge Party.

Mrs. L. Dalches entertained with a beautifully appointed bridge party yesterday afternoon complimenting the members of the Wednesday

Auction Bridge Club and a number of guests. The rooms were spring-like in their appearance, scores of lovely roses in hanging baskets were placed everywhere about the rooms and ferns were also used in decoration. In the delightful series of games of bridge played the club prize was awarded Mrs. M. T. Cogley, who was given a handsome cut-glass flower basket. The guest prize, a like favor, was given Mrs. Paulus. The hostess served a delicious two-course luncheon at the conclusion of the games, the plate favors being attractive silver nail-files in silver cases. Those enjoying the delightful hospitality were. Club members—Mesdames Christen, Cogley, Buenz, Denike, Penn, J. C. Martin, A. B. Muller, Hall, Lafon, Joseph, A. Wormser and T. A. Leyendecker; guests—Mesdames A. E. Derby, Cluck, Convery, Paulus, Purwin, Moser, B. M. Alexander, Hal-sell, Bobbitt, Weber, M. Wormser and Yesner. Mrs. Dalches was most graciously assisted in entertaining her guests by Mrs. I. Goodman, Mrs. Chester Burbank and Miss Esther Hirsch.

SEARCH FOR PARASITES.

By Associated Press.

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 6.—David T. Fullaway, entomologist with the territorial board of agriculture will leave soon for India to search for certain fruit fly parasites known as synthonosphrum indica and other parasites discovered in 1907 by George Comper at Bangalore, India. The parasite, located by Comper never reached Hawaii but is said to have been distributed in Australia and India. If the parasite can be located, it will be introduced in the territory to combat fruit flies here.

BELGIAN TO PLAY SLOSSON.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6.—Edouard Horemans, the Belgian billiard expert who has come to America to play Willie Hoppe for the world's championship, will be given a tryout in a 2400-point match with the veteran George Slosson at the Boston City Club. Play begins tonight and will be conducted in three evening sessions of 800 points each. The match will be at 18.2 ballline.

COOLIDGE JOINS THE UNEMPLOYED.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6.—Calvin Coolidge, who has filled the chair of chief executive of Massachusetts for some time past, is now among the unemployed, but he is not worrying, as he is assured of a good job in Washington, D. C., after March 4 next. In the meantime he intends to rest up a bit at his home in Northampton and later he and Mrs. Coolidge will run over to Washington on a house-hunting expedition. The retirement of Mr. Coolidge from the governorship today, preliminary to the inauguration of his successor, Channing Cox, was made the occasion for a big public ovation in which the retiring governor and his successor shared the honors. All day a steady stream of visitors climbed Beacon Hill to pay respects to the outgoing and incoming executives.

LIVE LIKE ANIMALS.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 6.—Six thousand Greek refugees, at Batum, Trans-Caucasia, their clothing worn to shreds, are "living like wild animals in dens" and dying at the rate of from 35 to 50 a day, writes Dr. W. E. Rambo, a Near East Relief worker, of West Philadelphia, Pa., in a report from the Black Sea port received here.

In what he calls "a tragic exodus that bids to become historic," Dr. Rambo says the Greek government already has repatriated 20,000 who emigrated from the near east to colonize Thrace and that from 10,000 to 12,000 remain to be transported from Batum back to their homeland. Most of these, he says, are physically strong but 6,000 refugees from other regions who flocked to Batum in the expectation of relief have been in that city five months, waiting in vain for help, their condition daily becoming more desperate on account of the rigors of the present Georgian winter.

The Greek government, Dr. Rambo explains, disclaiming responsibility for the plight of the people, has undertaken through humane considerations only to feed and doctor the refugees but so far, has declined to transport them to Greece on the ground that there is insufficient housing there to shelter them.

"Meanwhile," the letter says, "the 6,000 are overcrowded in barracks unfit for human habitation. The families have no privacy. Some are lying in bed day and night because they have no clothing to protect them from the cold or cover their nakedness. Unless speedy relief comes to these people most of them will die during the winter. Already the remnants of the original refugees are in despair. One of them said to me: 'We are no longer waiting for ships; we are waiting for death.' Of 5,767 in this party in the beginning only about 2,400 remain—3,367 are dead. Another party of 6,300 has 2,800 survivors—4,000 are dead. Of the survivors 700 are ill."

TIMES WANT ADS.

***** Money Makers *****

PRACTICE THRIFT.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 6.—Premier Lloyd George has adopted the example of President-elect Harding of the United States and issued a call to the public to practice thrift. "I have seen a very sound and sensible appeal by the newly elected president of the United States to the American people for all-round economy and I make the same appeal to the people of this country," said the Premier at a dinner of the Federation of British Industries.

Mr. Lloyd George warned his hearers that a period of great and inevitable depression was coming and the question was, he said, how to shorten or to mitigate its evils.

"Europe is standing in front of our shop windows," he went on, "it wants to buy, but it is in rags and its pockets are full of paper. In the good book there is a great story of men who reconstructed a broken city with a trowel in one hand and a sword in the other, but Europe must set to work with both hands."

"Let the government set the example to the government," he urged. "The cabinet has appointed a committee in every household to cut down expenditures. I know what will happen. . . ."

"Divorce!" someone shouted, and everybody laughed.

"Each member of the family," Lloyd George went on, "will want to cut the expenses of the other. The women will cut down the cigar bill and the men the dress bill. That is what happens in the public expenditure. But it is essential, if the nation is to recover, that there should be rigid, ruthless economy for some time to come."

FRESHMEN WON.

By Associated Press.

Oxford, Jan. 6.—The American freshmen defeated the upper classes 5 to 9 in the annual Thanksgiving intercollegiate football game played between American students at Oxford university. The touchdown was made in the first five minutes of play. L. M. Jiggatts of Mississippi, playing at left half for the freshmen, made a forward pass to C. L. Mock, of Ohio. Mock dodged his way into a clear field and crossed the line for a touchdown. During the second half the old men rallied and twice had the ball on the freshmen's five-yard line, the last time just before the referee's whistle at the end.

A thousand spectators turned out to watch the match, which was played on the Merton College field. The English spectators were very much amused at the rooting of the supporters of the two teams. They also expressed surprise at the apparent brutality of the mass plays, and wanted to have an explanation when the ball changed sides after a failure to make ten yards in four downs.

ANTI-AMERICAN SPIRIT.

By Associated Press.

Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 5.—Considerable anti-United States sentiment in Brazil is resulting from newspaper comment on the unfavorable situation growing out of the high rate of exchange for the American dollar in the last five months. During this period the value of the Brazilian milreis has dropped from 25 to 16½ cents to the dollar, its lowest mark in more than 20 years.

Almost daily one or more newspapers editorially charge United States banks and trusts with being responsible for the local situation, urging merchants to discontinue purchases from North America and suggesting governmental action to prevent control of native products by United States trusts. Most of the local newspapers ignore explanations of foreign bankers that the drop in exchange is due to lack of balance in trade.

United States banks operating in Brazil are charged in these editorials with exchange speculation, while North American trusts are declared to be attempting a monopoly on Brazilian products, particularly rubber, which some of the more violent editorials attribute to the "expansionist policy" of the United States government.

President Pessoa is charged by the anti-government section of the press with unduly favoring United States capital and commercial interests. These attacks on the president have been intensified during the last week since he has ordered registration of a concession to a North American iron and steel syndicate headed by Percival Farquhar to operate mines and smelters in Brazil. This concession had previously been refused registration by the Tribunal de Contas, which passes judgment on governmental contracts and concessions.

TO FIX BIG TRAP FEATURE.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 6.—The fixing of the time and place for holding the 1921 Grand American Handicap tournament, the blue-ribbon event of the trapshooting world, will be the principal business of the meeting to be held here tomorrow by the executive committee of the American Trapshooting Association. Chicago and Cleveland are contesting for the honor of entertaining the big tournament and it is likely that bids will also be received from Indianapolis and several other cities.

HARLINGEN CITIZENS MET JAPANESE AT STATION AND TOLD THEM THEY MUST LEAVE

Japanese Families were Told They Could Remain Over Night but were "Expected" to Leave the Next Day--No Threats were Made but the Orientals were Informed that They were Undesirable

MEXICO GOVERNORS WILL GO TO AUSTIN

OBREGON CANNOT ATTEND BUT WILL SEND DELEGATION TO REPRESENT THE REPUBLIC.

By Associated Press.

Waco, Texas, Jan. 6.—At the inauguration of Pat Neff January 18 Mexico will be represented by the governors of the states of Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and Tamaulipas. President Obregon, who is unable to attend on account of ill health, has named a delegation to attend the inauguration as the official representatives of the Mexican Republic.

FIXED NEW MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AT 483

CENSUS COMMITTEE'S REPORT ADDS THREE TO TEXAS REPRESENTATION IN HOUSE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The house census committee agreed today to report to congress the Siegel bill fixing the membership of the house at 483, an increase of 48 over the present membership. It also recommended a constitutional amendment limiting the membership of future houses to 500. The basis of representation was fixed at one member for every 218,579 inhabitants. Under the bill Texas gains three and Oklahoma one, and no state loses any representation.

WILL SUPPORT BILL.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senator Penrose, chairman of the senate finance committee, announced today that he would support the house emergency tariff bill, although he had hoped for certain modification of the rates.

MAIL BOAT MISSING.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The United States mail boat Pulitzer with at least seven men on board has been missing since December 15 and may have been lost in the straits of Shelikoff in Alaska. Secretary Payne was advised today by Governor Riggs of Alaska. Both the navy department and the coastguard service have been asked by Secretary Payne to send searching vessels.

AMERICAN ATHLETES.

By Associated Press.

Oxford, Jan. 6.—Several of the Americans who came into residence at Oxford last October have made a place for themselves in athletics. Alfred K. Reese, of Nebraska, now at Lincoln College, Oxford, won the shot put in the inter-college fall meet, with F. K. Brown, of Washington, at Exeter, a strong second. Three Americans were semi-finalists in the University freshman tennis tournament. R. W. Shaw, of New York, at Lincoln College, J. M. Clarke, of Pennsylvania, at Exeter College and A. K. Davis, of Virginia, at Balliol. Davis beat Clarke in a very close match, the set scores being 9-11, 7-5, 6-2.

Both play a hard back court game, with very little to choose between them as to ground strokes. Davis has a little the edge on court tactics, but both are potential material for the Oxford University team. Davis was defeated in the finals by Hall, two to one, after a very hard match.

Run Down by Jitney Yesterday.

Rosabelle Bunn, the little 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bunn, was run down and bruised about the body, by a jitney yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock while crossing the street in front of her father's office on Farragut street. Mr. Bunn stated that the number of the jitney was 526628 and the chauffeur kept going instead of stopping and rendering aid. The little girl, though suffering from the pains of the bruises, is doing nicely.

By Associated Press.

Harlingen, Texas, Jan. 6.—Two families of Japanese who arrived here last night from the West intending to settle on farming lands were met at the railroad station by a committee of citizens and informed that their presence in Harlingen was undesirable. They were told that they could remain over night in Harlingen but were "expected" to leave Thursday. No threats were made. This is the second demonstration against Japanese here during the week. Another family of Orientals stopped here early in the week and were told to "move on." Five American Legion posts met at San Benito last night and organized the Lower Rio Grande Valley Council for the announced purpose of effecting a systematic opposition to Japanese colonization in this section.

CHARGED WITH BRIBERY.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 6.—Lawrence Malawista, agent of the National Surety Company, was arrested today by secret service men charged with offering government agents bribes totalling more than \$100,000 for assistance in connection with liquor permit frauds.

GRANTED PAROLE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Secretary Wilson of the labor department announced today that he had granted parole to Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork, detained at Newport News by immigration authorities, on his own recognizance, pending decision as to his admission to this country.

MRS. HOBBY BETTER.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 6.—Mrs. Dora Pettus Hobby, mother of Governor Hobby, is resting slightly easier today, though still in a critical condition, according to the doctors attending her.

OPPOSE GAMBLING.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Legislation to prevent "gambling and speculation" by future sales of grain, cotton and food products was urged today by witnesses before the house agricultural committee. Senator-elect Caraway of Arkansas and W. O. Eckhard, director of the grain market department of the Illinois agricultural association, declared that the present system of marketing is injurious to the farmer.

CALL FOR MEDICO.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 5.—Medical advice by radio, designed to save life in event of sickness or accident at sea by applying proper treatment until personal service of a physician or surgeon can be obtained, is now possible.

A new emergency radio call—the letter "KDKF" has been established, planned to take its place with the international S. O. S. call of vessels in distress.

This call is intended to take precedence in the ever increasing radio service over all other business except the distress signal—for it means that individual life is in danger and assistance is being asked for.

A recent arrangement between the Seamen's Church Institute of New York and the Navy department established here a school of medical instruction for officers and seamen. Mariners trained in this school of called upon to treat a serious illness or accident case at sea can communicate by radio to the physician at the Seamen's Institute and receive from him instructions to be followed until the ship reaches a harbor or obtains assistance from another vessel.

The medical officer in New York is "on watch" from 2 to 10 p. m. for this service.

Are Visiting Old Home Here.

Henry F. Elstetter, who is with the Transcontinental Petroleum Co. at Tampico, and Sergeant Frank Elstetter, who is with the Fifth Cavalry at Marfa, are here on a visit to their old home for a few days. Both young men attended the wedding of their brother, Leo, at San Antonio on Monday. They are the guests of their mother, Mrs. A. J. Elstetter.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

UNSKILLED LABOR STILL NEEDED HERE

COMMITTEE WILL BE URGED TO ENCOURAGE INSTEAD OF RESTRICTING THE ALIENS.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 6.—Representative of the National Immigration Council will go before the senate committee on immigration in Washington next week to urge that unskilled laborers be encouraged to enter this country rather than restricted, it was announced today. F. L. Harley, secretary of the organization, says there is practically no idleness in the ranks of unskilled labor in America.

SENATOR SHERMAN VISITED HARDING

ILLINOIS IRRECONCILABLE CONFERRED IN MARION OVER THE NEW ASSOCIATION PLAN.

By Associated Press.

Marion, Ohio, Jan. 6.—Another senate irreconcilable, Senator Sherman of Illinois, was among those with whom President-elect Harding had engagements today to discuss the plan for an association of nations. It is understood that various domestic problems including farmer relief, are also up for consideration at the conference. Albert Beveridge, former Indiana senator and one of the leaders of the Roosevelt Progressive party in 1912, is also on Mr. Harding's engagement list. It is said Mr. Harding sought his advice on both international and domestic problems.

FLORIDA CELERY.

By Associated Press.

Sanford, Fla., Jan. 6.—New grown celery for the Christmas trade was shipped out of Florida earlier this year than ever before, due principally to a new kind originated in this section. Through long experimenting a strain of seed has been developed which matures much earlier than any other kind and is almost entirely free from blight and other diseases that attack early celery.

TEN GRADUATES.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Nov. 23.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—The first graduation ceremony of the new training school for submarine officers at Kure was held yesterday. Many naval officers attended and His Majesty despatched a special aide. There were ten graduates. Two received watches from the Emperor for graduation with honors.

BUDDHIST ARMY.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Nov. 20.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A Buddhist salvation army has been formed with headquarters in Tokio and according to one of its leaders, it is determined to "fight the Christian salvation army out of Japan." Members of the Buddhist salvation army took a leading part in the disturbances which marked the celebration of the Salvation Army's Semi-jubilee during the last few days. Colonel Duce of the Salvation Army makes light of the attacks.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day: Tonight and Friday, unsettled.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Max. temp. 78 degs. Min. temp. 55 degs. General direction of wind: Southeast. Clear.

From Wednesday's Daily.

ROBBERIES CONTINUE.

It is evident that the robbers who have been making more or less rich hauls of late have not been deterred from their bold attempts by the arrest of a few. It is also apparent that not all the robbers are behind bars, for the thefts continue.

In one sense, some of the people who have been robbed are to blame for their carelessness in leaving their houses unprotected. But even houses which were carefully locked up and apparently guarded by the latest locks have been entered during the absence of the owners.

Some of the thefts are notable for the boldness of the thieves. In one instance while the people were enjoying music in the front of the house the rear rooms were entered and robbed. One family was seated on the front gallery while the house was systematically searched and several articles of value taken.

Nothing will deter thieves of this bold character from continuing their nifty acts except a killing. And some of the householders are so determined to prevent robbery at all costs, particularly in cases where the women folks are nervous and easily frightened, that it need surprise no one if the killing of some bold intruder is reported to the police.

So far no violence has been offered by the thieves. Indeed, they are of the "sneak thief" variety, and appear to have robbed house after house with but one of them being caught in the act.

At no time is it safe to leave a house with open doors or windows, and especially after nightfall. But to some of these nifty gentry, the bolts and bars apparently offer no obstacle. They get in and out with little difficulty, taking what suits their fancy.

In several cases considerable sums of money have been taken, which reminds one that it is an unsafe proceeding to have much money around the house, especially when there are such banking facilities as we have here in Laredo.

It can hardly be said that we have a "crime wave" here, as has been reported from other sections. But there never has been more theft than is now reported, and not all of the thefts are reported, at that, some people preferring to keep their troubles to themselves.

Thefts from automobiles are bolder than ever, and it is a mystery that more of the thieves are not apprehended in the very act, as they appear to take risks that the boldest "rateros" of Mexico would hesitate at assuming.

Some of the thieves have been cleverly captured by effective work on the part of the police, but they are not ubiquitous, and they have considerable territory to cover, so it seems desirable for all citizens to aid to the fullest extent in capturing and convicting the robbers.

No mistaken mercy should be shown to those captured "with the goods." It is mistaken kindness to permit a confirmed thief to escape and carry on his crooked trade elsewhere, and it is no kindness to others to let them in for a robbery by releasing one who ought to be behind prison bars, especially as the thefts are not committed because of poverty.

Some of those who have committed the crimes have spent the proceeds of their robberies in vicious ways, and so far not a single one has been apprehended who robbed because he was hungry or had a starving family, the usual excuse of such criminals.

It is declared that some of the thefts are chargeable to expert thieves who have been forced to leave Mexico City by increased vigilance on the part of the officers there. At any rate, most of the robberies bear the earmark of an expert, and it is to the advantage of our residents to have such thieves apprehended as quickly as possible.

The old class of thefts of "unconsidered trifles" such as a few chickens, an old rug or a rubber hose left outside is almost unknown nowadays, as people have learned caution. But all the precautions known would hardly guard against these skillful robbers.

AN EXONERATION.

The naval court of inquiry summoned to investigate charges that United States Marines had been guilty of "indiscriminate killings" of Haitian natives declared that the evidence submitted completely disproved the charges, and the Marines were exonerated.

One of the most horrible features of the testimony brought out in the defense of the accused Marines was an official report showing that at least three Marines, besides scores of young women and children, had been killed and eaten by the Haitian cannibals, followers of a new-old religion which originated in Africa and which is today practiced by the debased natives.

During the period of pacification of the Philippines our soldiers and Marines were frequently accused by those who hated the Americans and opposed the white domination of "indiscriminate killings" and of torture of natives.

Investigation brought out the fact that the killings were all due to the same sort of beastly practices as are now charged against the Haitians; not particularly cannibalism, although there is some reason to believe that

even this was one of the practices; but at least the torture and abuse of Americans and of those natives who were friendly to the Americans.

The "tortures" turned out to be the use of the "water cure," a method of extracting information which was more frightful than painful, and which in no case left bad results although in almost every case it had the effect of securing the information which the Americans were desirous of obtaining.

It must be remembered that the Americans did not deliberately kill whole communities out of revenge for the murder of one of their number. But they did summarily shoot some of the Filipino fiends who had committed the vilest crimes, as it was common report that a Filipino accused of the worst crimes frequently was sent to prison for a few months and then pardoned. So some of the most guilty never reached a court composed partly of Filipinos and partly of pacifist Americans fresh from the states.

For years it has been known that the degraded Haitians have been following the worship of their ancestors in Darkest Africa. Their rites included the killing of little children, of young girls and frequently of women. Sometimes, an enemy was cleverly gotten rid of by accusing him of witchcraft, or a rich man whose goods were coveted by the Obeah man was made to disappear.

This was bad enough, and during American occupation of the Black Republic such crimes could not be permitted. As the Haitian officials were too weak or too timid to seek out and punish these criminals, the Marines had to do it. And this led to reprisals against the Marines and these eventually led to the so-called rebellions, which were merely the outward and visible form of the savagery that was usually hidden.

The better class of Haitians who did so much toward stamping out this recrudescence of African barbarity in the beautiful island republic. The French during their occupancy of the colony, before the days of Toussaint l'Ouverture, kept this tendency to return to fetish worship under control, but were never able entirely to eradicate it.

Beastly, degraded, cunning and secretive, the Haitian negro has been able to hide from public view much of his immorality and his bestiality, and particularly has he disclaimed any connection with voodooism and the other pagan customs of his ancestors. But now it is discovered that even cannibalism, that most degraded of all human practices, is carried on by these degenerates, and it is not surprising that some of them had to be killed to protect the rest of the population, which was really the duty of the Marines.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 5.

Rev. Olympia Brown, pioneer reformer and equal suffrage advocate, born at Prairie Ronde, Mich., 86 years ago today.

Maj. Gen. Frank McIntyre, U. S. A., chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, born at Montgomery, Ala., 56 years ago today.

Isaac Bacharach, representative in Congress of the Second New Jersey district, born in Philadelphia, 51 years ago today.

William Bennett Mugro, professor of municipal government in Harvard University, born in Ontario, 46 years ago today.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

Centenary of the birth of Joseph D. Bedle, twenty-sixth governor of New Jersey.

Rudolf Eucken of Jena University, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1908, celebrates his seventy-fifth birthday today.

The annual meeting of the Council of Church Boards of Education will open in New York City today and continue over tomorrow.

A two-day conference has been called to meet at Little Rock today to formulate plans for a reduction in cotton acreage in Arkansas.

The Michigan legislature which is to convene today will be unique, in that the Democratic party will have no representative in either house.

Other States in which the legislatures are to convene today for their regular sessions are Maine, Colorado, and Washington.

President-elect Harding is to receive the thirty-second degree as a Scottish rite Mason today from the lodge in Columbus, O., of which Presidents Garfield and McKinley also were members.

Petroleum, labor and banking questions will be the principal business to be laid before the special session of the Mexican Congress which has been called by President Obregon to assemble today.

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11-13-14.

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE WILL MEET IN SAN ANTONIO

Two Laredo Members of Federal Employees Union Are on the Program for Interesting Talks.

The call for a state-wide conference of the organized federal employees in Texas to discuss means of obtaining legislation for better employment conditions and higher efficiency in the United States Civil Service has thus far been responded to by the local unions of federal employees in El Paso, Laredo, Eagle Pass, Fort Worth, Galveston and Brownsville. The conference will be held on January 8 and 9 in San Antonio. The plans are in charge of William Haensler, vice president of Federal Employees Union No. 28, of San Antonio, who is also district organizer for the National Federation of Federal Employees. Most of the locals are sending two delegates each.

Important features of the program of the conference will be an address by Dr. George P. Flaherty, of Fort Worth, on "Reclassification of the Federal Civil Service and Its Benefit to the Employees;" by C. M. McDannell, of Laredo, on "The Nolan Minimum Wage Bill for Federal Employees and Its General Effect;" by L. J. Perkins, of Laredo, on "The Government Employee and His Duties;" by President Dick Henry, of the San Antonio Local, on "Life, Health, and Accident Insurance for Federal Employees;" by vice president William Haensler, of San Antonio, on "The National Federation of Federal Employees, Its Purposes and Success;" by F. Cochran of Brownsville, on "Ways and Means to Gain in Membership."

Office of Deputy Collector of Customs, Port of Laredo, Texas, January 5, 1921. Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on January 13, 1921, at 10:00 A. M. at the Customhouse, one horse and buggy, seized for violation of Section 3082 Revised Statutes. A. R. Kahn, Deputy Collector of Customs.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

Great Throngs at Strand.

Yesterday afternoon and last night the Strand Theater had capacity audiences throughout the time to see the great First National production, "Yes or No," starring the dainty Norma Talmadge. This same picture is on the program again today and to night and no doubt the Strand will have full houses as the double fact that it is a First National attraction and Norma Talmadge is the star suffices to attract Laredo people, for they know that the Strand has the best picture to be had. In her dual role in this great picture Norma is at her best and is supported by an all-star cast. Her great versatility is shown in the two characters she plays—one the very antithesis of the other and she puts the work through with that naturalness of effect that makes Norma Talmadge one of the greatest of all screen stars.

"The Devil's Passkey" at Rialto.
"The Devil's Pass Key," at the Rialto can be said to start without a single star and end with an all-star cast. In addition to the part of Grace Goodwright, played with great sympathy by Una Trevelyn, the character of Madame Malot, the modiste, played by Maud George and that of Odera, the Spanish dancer, played by Mae Busch, merit unusual praise. Laid as the story is in Paris, the distinctive foreign mannerisms of these two keenly intelligent players are at once a source of wonder and delight. Rarely have the feminine parts of any picture been more admirably cast, for as a perfect foil to the innocence of the wife, there is the demi-mondaine insouciance of the cat-like Spanish woman and the worldly wisdom and wickedness of the French modiste spinning her spider's web.



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IMPORTANT MEETING CITY COUNCIL HELD LAST NIGHT

SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF POLICE FORCE TO BE RAISED.

Laredo Electric & Ry. Co. Wants to Raise Rates; Other Important Matters Come Before Meeting.

The city council met in regular session last evening at 7:30 o'clock. Present—His Honor Mayor L. Villegas and Aldermen Henry, Leyendecker, Martin, Salinas and Brennan. Absent—Aldermen Moore, DaCamara and Richter. With a quorum present the following proceedings were had:

The minutes of the last regular session were read and on motion of Alderman Martin, seconded and carried were approved.

A communication from City Engineer Chas. E. Frees asking for a leave of absence of three months, on account of urgent business, was read. On motion of Alderman Leyendecker, seconded and carried, the leave of absence was granted as prayed for. The mayor appointed H. R. Mason to act as city engineer during the absence of Mr. Frees. On motion of Alderman Brennan, seconded and carried, the appointment was confirmed.

A communication from T. C. Mann, attorney for the Border Gas Co., advising the city council that the books of the company were ready for examination by the expert accountant and that the selection made by the mayor was agreeable to the company. On motion of Alderman Salinas, seconded and carried, the mayor was instructed to proceed and have the expert to come to Laredo to examine the books of the Border Gas Company, provided the Gas Company agrees in writing to pay for the services of said expert.

An ordinance authorizing certain changes in the contract between the City of Laredo and F. C. Youmans, for the construction of the sewerage system, said changes being beneficial to the city and without additional expense, was read for the first time.

An ordinance creating the position of city sewer inspector; providing for his appointment, prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation, was read for the first time.

Estimate No. 1 for work done on the sanitary sewer during December and approved by the city engineer, was read and ordered filed.

The mayor called the attention of the city council to the fact that the salaries of the appointive officers should be fixed at this meeting for 1921; that he would recommend that the salaries of the assistant city marshal, the mounted and foot policemen, including the auto policeman and two detectives, be raised \$10.00 per month; also the salaries of the two assistant sextons to be raised \$5.00 per month. On motion of Alderman Leyendecker, seconded and carried, the salaries of the assistant city marshal, all of the foot and mounted policemen, including the auto policeman and the two detectives, were raised \$10.00 per month, and the salaries of the two assistant sextons raised \$5.00 per month.

On motion of Alderman Salinas, seconded and carried, the mayor was authorized to purchase uniforms for the police department.

A communication from R. W. Morrison, president of The Laredo Electric and Railway Company, asking the city council to permit said company to increase their rates and submitting three schedules, either one of which will produce the same revenue was read. Mr. Morrison addressed the council, explaining at length the reasons why the increase of rates should be granted. On motion of Alderman Henry, seconded and carried, the petition was referred to the mayor and finance committee for investigation and report.

All bills and accounts against the city were ordered paid upon recommendation of the finance committee.

There being no further business before the council it adjourned.

A. R. GARCIA,
City Secretary.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of The First State Bank & Trust Company of Laredo, will be held in the banking rooms of said institution, on Tuesday, January 11th, 1921, at 3 p. m., for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it.

L. A. LAFON, Secretary.

Class For Children.

Mrs. T. A. Austin, will open a class for children, boys and girls from eight to twelve, in Music Appreciation. This class is to meet the needs of the child's mind during the sensory period of development, to give a cultural acquaintance with good music, to form mental habits of alertness, perception, concentration, imagination, and analysis. All those parents desiring to enroll their children, please communicate with Mrs. Austin, phone 2-17, for more definite information, terms, and time.

Bilious Headache.

When you have a severe headache, a disordered stomach and constipation, take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will correct the disorders of the liver and bowels, effectually curing the headache.

WATCHING THE CACTUS WELL AND EXPECTING BIG GUSHER

Drillers Are Now Cementing Preparatory to Going Into Oil Sand; Miranda Well is Drilling Fast.

Oil men and all others in the Laredo district, and in fact in various portions of Texas, are watching with interest the progress of the drilling work in the Cactus well near the Callahan Spur in this county, and these people are awaiting news with anxiety. At a depth of 1,385 feet the operators on this well are cementing, which means that they are preparing to drill into the oil sand at a few more feet and bring in the well.

Drilling operations on the Miranda Oil Co. well in the northeastern portion of Zapata county not far from the Webb county line, are also making good progress. The drill was at a depth of 1,330 feet yesterday and still going down at a good rate as the operations proceeded.

The two drilling outfits for the Rincon Oil Corporation, en route here from California, have not yet arrived, but should reach Laredo within the next few days, when one of them will be removed to Reiser and the other to a drilling site northeast of Laredo. This company will start two wells going down at the earliest possible date.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN,
S. N. JOHNSON,
President. Secretary.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1920. A. W. GLEASON, (Seal) Notary Public.

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BOXERS ARE ALL PREPARED FOR OPENING CARD FRIDAY

American Legion Athletic Club Will Have Grand Opening at Skating Rink With Good Boxing Card.

All the various boxers who are to participate in the boxing card to be held at the grand opening of the American Legion Athletic Club at the Lincoln Skating Rink on Friday evening, are now down to hard training at Fort McIntosh under trainers that know the game from A to Z.

The membership in the American Legion Athletic Club is not limited to members of the American Legion, but is open to anybody, and those desiring to see the grand opening card had better get busy and call on the secretary at the Soldiers Club in the afternoon or any member of the Laredo Post of the American Legion. Assessment cards to the opening events are being issued to members at a cost of \$1 and \$1.50 each.

For Your Medicine Cabinet.

A necessary part of every medicine cabinet is Fidelity Quality Mentholated Ointment, for headache, inflammation, earache, neuralgia, sores, sprains, sunburn, bruises, etc. When it's Fidelity Quality you're sure it's pure. Sold and recommended by all druggists and in Laredo by City Drug Co.

Working on Immigration Matter.

United States Consul Randolph Robertson received a telegram this morning from Roy Miller of Corpus Christi, who is in Washington, stating that he is before the senate committee in behalf of the proposed immigration bill as it pertains to the bringing in of Mexican laborers and that he believed everything would be adjusted satisfactorily.

American Legion.

There will be an important special meeting of Laredo Post No. 59, American Legion, at the Soldiers Club to night at 8 o'clock. A large attendance is requested as matters of importance will be brought up.

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LOCAL NEWS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruno A. Bazaldua, Sunday, December 26, a daughter.

The kindergarten at the Villegas building will re-open on Monday, January 10.

Tomorrow being the Epiphany, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at Christ Church at 7:30 a. m.

The Acme Laundry is a family laundry. We will be glad to get your O. Willhite, Manager, 2018 12-29-121.

The importations through the port of Laredo yesterday afternoon from Mexico consisted of one carload of pottery, one carload of beer and one carload of baskets, besides some imports in smaller quantities brought over the international footbridge.

Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg.

12-14-14. Arthur Bilnosk, arrested on Sunday charged with assault to murder, was given an examining hearing before Justice of the Peace Albee yesterday afternoon and bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$500, which he failed to provide and is confined to the county jail.

Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348.

4-27-14. Some day the sun is coming out in full force again and oh what a joy it will be to those people who have that "grippy" feeling and are hankering for something that will conduce to making life feel a little more like what it should be.

THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigreed seed. Please write or full information, M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

There are going to be some good boxing bouts at the Lincoln Skating Rink on Friday night, pulled off by the American Athletic Club recently formed here. Only those holding memberships can witness the boxing events, and nobody is barred from membership in the club.

If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1263 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-14. The work of reinforcing and enlarging the piers that are to support the handsome new international footbridge and putting in underground pipes for the approaches, is going right ahead. The work is being prosecuted as fast as possible consistent with good workmanship.

Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-14. Mrs. Aurelia G. de Rendon, aged 25 years, died at her home in this city this morning at 1:55 o'clock and the funeral will take place from the Jackson undertaking parlors this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-14.

HEAVY FOG VISITS LAREDO ACCOMPANIED BY DAMPNES

Fog Was So Heavy That it Resembled the Effects of a Young Rain With Water Dripping Everywhere.

One of the heaviest fogs experienced here in some time past prevailed this morning and was likened to a young rain, as there was a plentiful supply of moisture accompanying the nebulae and water was dripping from housetops and roofs throughout the early morning and almost up to noon.

This disagreeable weather did not conduce to bettering the condition of those who are experiencing colds at this time, for it is ideal weather for the propagation of the old "grippe," of which there are many cases in Laredo at this season of the year. But the weather is good for the vegetable fields and flower gardens and helps plant life considerably.

Left for Austin on Business. Prof. B. Richardson, county superintendent of schools, left here last night for Austin, where he goes on business with the state department of education. Professor Richardson expects to return to his headquarters in Laredo within the next two days.

SEWER WORK PROGRESSES ALONG MATAMOROS STREET Trench is Being Cut and Mains Placed in Position as Rapidly as Possible By the Contractor.

Work on the placing of the big mains of the sewerage system along the route picked out is progressing fast, and the big trench-digging machine is cutting its path now along Matamoros street going westward as fast as possible in order to encounter the least delay possible.

As the deep trench is cut by the big machine a force of men close behind it are placing the eighteen-inch sewerage pipe in place and the trench is filled in. The trench-digging work has put Matamoros street in somewhat of a rough condition, but as soon as the work progresses along a little further the street will be gone over by the street building machine and put in first-class condition again.

PROCLAMATION.

To the qualified Electors of the City of Laredo.

I, L. Villegas, Mayor of the City of Laredo, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter Amendment Ordinance of the City of Laredo, adopted and approved by the city council thereof, on the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1920, do hereby proclaim and give notice that a special election will be held in and for said City of Laredo on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1921, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors thereof, for their adoption or rejection, all those certain proposed amendments to the existing Charter of the City of Laredo, as set forth in the RESOLUTION OF INTENTION, adopted by said city council of the City of Laredo on the 26th day of November, A. D. 1920, and published in The Laredo Daily Times on December 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, A. D. 1920, and as set forth in the said Charter Amendment Ordinance passed and approved by the city council of the City of Laredo on the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1920, and published in said Laredo Daily Times on December 27, 1920;

That said special election shall be held at the following voting places in the City of Laredo and shall be conducted under the management and supervision of the following named officers to-wit:

In Precinct No. 1, at F. Sanchez Garza house, 301 Hurbide street; Presiding Judge, M. A. Hirsch; Associate Judges, F. Sanchez Garza and Hugh S. Cluck.

In Precinct No. 2, at Fire Engine House, 912 Matamoros street; Presiding Judge, G. P. Farias; Associate Judges, A. H. Dodier and Joe Barberio.

In Precinct No. 3, at A. R. Garcia house, 1114 Lincoln street; Presiding Judge, R. L. Muller; Associate Judges, D. H. Sanchez and Emilio Dodier.

In Precinct No. 4, at Urbahn school house, 1619 Victoria street; Presiding Judge, P. P. Leyendecker; Associate Judges, C. C. Biggio and E. H. Buenz.

That in the conduct of said election the officers, judges and managers thereof shall be governed by the General Laws of this State, and shall make returns thereof in accordance therewith.

That the "Official Ballot" as prescribed in said Charter Amendment Ordinance shall be used at such special election, and all voters desiring to vote shall write under each question either "Yes," or "No," in the blank line left for that purpose.

Given under my hand this 5th day of January, A. D. 1921.

L. VILLEGAS,
Mayor of the City of Laredo.

Attest:
A. H. GARCIA,
City Secretary.

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IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 5.

Sir Alfred Mond, who is departing for Palestine today to study conditions there in connection with Zionist plans for the country's development, is a celebrated authority on finance, who has also held important administrative posts in the British Government. Entering Parliament in 1906, he has been conspicuous in debate on many topics, but especially on free trade questions. He is treasurer of the Free Trade Union, and has written very largely on political and economic questions. Aside from politics he is a prominent figure in the business world, and it was undoubtedly his business achievements that led to his selection by Premier Lloyd George, for the important post of First Commissioner of Work in the British Government, a position he held during a critical period of the war.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

JANUARY 4.

Polish forces surrounded Dvinsk in a new offensive, against the Bolsheviks.

CONFESSION OF GUILT.

By Associated Press.

Guatemala City, Jan. 4.—The suicide of the former Mexican general, Francisco Cardenas, in the Central Plaza of this city on November 27, is believed here to have ended all doubt as to who was the real slayer of the Mexican President, Francisco I. Madero. Cardenas had told the Associated Press correspondent that he commanded the guard by whom Madero was shot but did not explain why he ordered the shooting.

Madero, with the vice-president, Pino Suarez, was shot to death on the night of February 22, 1913, while being conveyed under a guard of armed soldiers from his place of imprisonment in the National Palace to the penitentiary in Mexico City. The usual report was rendered to the authorities that the prisoners had tried to make their escape and that the soldiers, in order to prevent them getting away, were obliged to shoot them.

Not long after the event, Francisco Cardenas appeared in Guatemala. Within a very short time, he was arrested and imprisoned by orders of Estrada Cabrera, the President then of this country. It is not clear just on what grounds Cabrera ordered the imprisonment of Cardenas. The government of Cabrera was not on particularly friendly as President of Mexico. It is thought that the Guatemala President was aware that Cardenas was wanted by the Carranza government, and purposed turning him over to the Mexican authorities in exchange for certain Guatemalans in Mexico who might be conspiring against Cabrera's government. However this may be, no exchange was made and Cardenas was kept a prisoner for nearly seven years.

During the revolution of last April when the dictator, Cabrera, was overthrown, Cardenas was taken from the penitentiary and brought into this city under a guard of troops. Colonel Beltrone pointed him out to the Associated Press correspondent as the man who had killed Madero.

Cardenas was a man of medium robust in appearance with a round bullet-like head, thin black mustache and thin black hair parted in ringlets over his forehead. Questioned as to the killing of Madero he dismissed the subject with the simple statement that he was in command of the guard that did the killing. He offered no explanation why he had commanded the guard to shoot the prisoners, but was more intent on relating his own misadventures, stating that he had been in prison nearly eight years, more than two years of which had been in solitary confinement. If this part of his statement is correct, he must have fled from Mexico shortly after the murders were committed, and when Huerta was still in power.

With the change of government in Guatemala last April, Cardenas was set free and given an important official position in the penitentiary, with a chance to make good, but it is said that he accepted money for granting certain prohibited privileges to prisoners. He lost his position in the penitentiary and was accused of paying too much attention to the wife of a political prisoner. When the husband of the woman was also released from the penitentiary, he was stabbed by a man who said Cardenas had paid him to do the stabbing. Cardenas was arrested and imprisoned, but was released on bail. Recently, a request came from the proper authorities in Mexico requesting that he be held by the authorities here until papers could be forwarded for his extradition on the Madero murder charge, it being explained that direct testimony had been obtained showing him to have been the man directly responsible for the deed. Through some blundering of the police department, Cardenas was permitted to make his escape from the city but was eventually located in some wood a few miles beyond in the district of Las Vacas. On the night of November 26 he was captured.

It is stated by the lieutenant who commanded the soldiers that Cardenas offered him \$25,000 for himself and \$1,000 for each of his soldiers to be set at liberty. The offer being refused, Cardenas asked permission to rest whereupon he wrote in a memorandum book which he carried a few lines addressed to the woman with whom he had been living, giving her his money and jewels and requesting her to bury his body in the event of his death.

The soldiers brought Cardenas to the Central Plaza of the city, where Cardenas suddenly drew a small revolver wrapped in a handkerchief and shot at one of the soldiers only wounding him slightly. As the other soldiers closed in on him, he placed the muzzle of his pistol in his mouth, fired twice, and fell to the ground mortally wounded. He was conveyed to the general hospital where he soon died.

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Money Makers

ORDERS FROM MEXICO CITY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED HERE

REMOVES CHARGES FOR VISE OF BORDER PERMITS BY CONSULS.

Hereafter Border Permits Vised Free, Trip Passes Cost Two Dollars and Passports Remain at \$10.

An official telegram received at the Mexican consulate here yesterday afternoon from Mexico City advised that, effective at once, the modifications in the passport regulations announced several weeks ago, would now be in full force and effect.

The modifications in the passport regulations made by the Mexican government appertain to the vise of one to ten day permits, border permits issued for an indefinite period and the regulation passports issued to American citizens from Washington. Hereafter the charges for vises by the Mexican consulates of these passes, permits and passports has been ten dollars each, but now one to ten day passes are vised at a cost of two dollars, while there is no charge whatever made for the vise of border permits issued to American citizens residing within the prescribed border zone. Only the regulation passports now remain at ten dollars for vise.

Persons coming here from a distance and desiring to cross the Rio Grande on business or otherwise can secure a pass from the United States immigration service passport department and have it vised at a cost of two dollars as heretofore. The great advantage of the change in the vise of border permits, which covers a distance of ten miles back from the boundary line, is that instead of paying ten dollars for such permits residents of the American side of the border now have these permits vised absolutely free, and as a result a great number of these permits will now be secured by people who were not disposed to pay ten dollars for the privilege of crossing the Rio Grande. Only those carrying regulation passports issued from Washington will be charged ten dollars as heretofore, and the same price will apply to the vise of British and other passports.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

Norma Talmadge at Strand Today.

"It is always a source of amusement to me," confides Miss Norma Talmadge, whose latest photoplay success, "Yes or No" will be at the Strand today and tomorrow "to hear some one speak of an actor or actress' temperament. How absurd such a thing is. Why should a player have outbursts of temperament any more than a lawyer, doctor, artist or any other professional? Why it is necessary for them to give vent to these exhibitions of the eccentricity of genius any more than it is for a cook or a chambermaid to have similar outbursts? To my mind temperament means temper—nothing more, and I would blush to have any one accuse me of being temperamental. Although you could not get them to admit it, temperament has been the ruin of many prominent stars in the theatrical world. I recall one case off hand of one of the most prominent prima donnas the musical comedy stage possessed a few years ago, who through this so-called temperament lost her popularity with theatre-goers to such an extent that she was finally forced to appear in a cabaret in order to obtain a livelihood. She realized her mistake before it was too late and finally re-established herself in the public's good graces and now—after wasting several years of her life, she is gradually regaining her popularity. As for me I am too busy to give vent to temperament even if I had the desire. To me work is the surest preventative for this dread malady and I go in for this cure."

Wanda Hawley at the Royal.

The picture of Mary Miles Minter in "Sweet Lavender," which was on the program for today and tomorrow at the Royal failed to arrive and Manager Valdez secured Wanda Hawley in "Her First Elopement," a good melodrama. Miss Hawley since becoming a star has popularized herself with movie goers.

"The Devil's Passkey" at Rialto.

"You'll pay me—for every gown, every ribbon, every button! There is always a way—in Paris. You butterfly wives incense me—always flitting in the radiance of a husband's success—which never comes. You'll settle every son, or I'll have your reputation scourged with the whiplashes of every slanderous tongue in France."—That's the Paris this American wife found in "The Devil's Passkey." Don't miss this wonder picture. See it tomorrow at the Rialto.

Number of Soldiers in Jail.

Three members of the 17th Infantry regiment, W. Regal, W. Garvey and G. Jackson are in the county jail charged with assaults on peace officers on information filed by the district attorney. Four other soldiers, E. Leggett, T. C. Kelly, W. Grinward and L. G. Kerr are also in jail charged with violation of the liquor laws by having booze in their possession.



SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

The Junior Auxiliary will meet at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The Sunbeam Band of the Baptist Church will meet at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Regular meeting of Miriam Chapter No. 86, O. E. S., at Masonic hall at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Wednesday.

The Parish Guild will meet at the Rectory at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Robin Redbreast.

Crackle, sparkle, faggot; embers glow; Someone may be plodding through the snow. Longing for a light. For the light that you and I can show.

If no one else should come, Here's Robin Redbreast's welcome crumb, And never troublesome; Robin, why don't you come and fetch your crumb?

Here's butter for my hunk of bread, And sugar for your crumb; Here's room upon the hearthrug, If you'll only come.

In your scarlet waistcoat, With your keen, bright eye, Where are you loitering? Wings were made to fly.

Make haste to breakfast, Come and fetch your crumb, For I'm as glad to see you As you are glad to come. —Christina Rossetti.

General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Buenz and sons have returned from San Antonio and vicinity after spending the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Olivia Schultz left last night for Searcy, Ark., to re-enter Galloway College, after being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Buenz for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Shiner returned yesterday afternoon from Corpus Christi, where they spent the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Burr and baby have returned home from a several months' stay in Mexico.

Miss Mary Louise Cone has returned from San Antonio and will spend several months with her parents in North Laredo.

Mrs. J. E. Neal and daughter, Miss Grace, are in the city from their ranch home near Torrealcas for a several days' visit, after which Miss Grace will go to Belton to enter Baylor College.

Word has been received from Lieut. R. C. Snyder of his safe arrival at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he went for station, having made the trip in his car. Mrs. Snyder will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Buenz for the month of January.

Miss Phyllis Bunn left last night for Milford, Texas, to re-enter the Texas Presbyterian College after having spent the holidays with her parents.

Miss Rosalie Wormser left last night for San Antonio, where she will enter Donn-Avon school.

Edward Biggio expects to leave on Wednesday for San Antonio to re-enter St. Louis College.

August Wormser has returned to the Ohio State University after spending the holidays in Laredo with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wormser have returned from an overland trip to San Antonio where they spent New Year's.

Mr. H. S. Lent returned yesterday from San Antonio.

Oliver Maud, who was the holiday guest of Elmer Rogers, has returned to his home in Austin.

St. Elmo Trout returned to Austin on Sunday night to re-enter the University.

James Richter has returned to Lexington, Virginia, to re-enter Washington and Lee University.

Victor Sauvignat left Sunday night for Austin to re-enter the University after spending the holidays in the city with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Sauvignat.

Jesse Applewhite, Jr., left Sunday night for Arlington, Texas, to re-enter college.

The many friends of Dr. H. J. Hamilton will be pleased to learn that he

is much improved and able to be up and about the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vidales, after spending the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Guajardo, left this morning for their home in San Antonio.

Miss Josephine Guajardo left this morning for San Antonio to attend school.

Announcement.

The W. M. S. of the Baptist Church is holding a week of prayer. Services are held every afternoon at 3 o'clock. On Wednesday afternoon Miss Hannah Fair Salles will have charge of the program, which will be on "China." Attention is called that Wednesday program will take the place of the regular lesson of Thursday.

Brotherhood Meets.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 in the church annex, the Men's Brotherhood of the Presbyterian church will give a supper in honor of the newly-elected officers of the church. By mistake a notice was sent out calling this meeting for Tuesday night, but the meeting will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 in the church annex.

An Appreciation.

It is safe to say that everybody who attended the hilarious baseball contest between the Sis Hopkins and the Rotarians joins with the International Institute and their friends, the initiators and perpetrators of the idea, in a hearty expression of appreciation to all who contributed to the fun and success of the affair. The music of the Seventeenth Infantry band would put snap into any occasion, and their co-operation and that of those who arranged for their participation was appreciated by all. The Sis Hopkins are much indebted, too, to the ladies who graciously acted as patronesses and lent the necessary element of dignity to the occasion. Everybody knows that a baseball game would be no baseball game at all unless you could spill peanut shells all over your neighbors in the next row below, and many have spoken of the fun which the refreshment vendors created, helped out by the crowd which entered so heartily and appreciatively into the spirit of the whole affair.

The Sis Hopkins heartily agree that they had nothing on their friends, the enemy for looks. They do not fail to appreciate the well-planned final score and such delicate attentions as assistance in getting from base to base, since they had "practiced up" with such vengeance in mind that they were unable to run or beat either forward or backward. Wherever, last but not least, they are grateful to whoever made the suggestion, relayed hot over the wires by the honorable chief executioner of the Institute committee, of Vick's vapor rub for "afterwards."

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WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight and Wednesday partly cloudy.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Max. temp. 78 degs. Min. temp. 43 degs. General direction of wind: North-east. Clear.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

Nearly 650 warships have been scrapped since the Armistice.

The first ship to have wireless installed was the San Martin, in 1897.

The child who becomes blind before the age of five never sees in his dreams.

Many big London hotels are being bought by business firms and converted into offices.

The Eiffel Tower in Paris is to send out the exact time by wireless to the whole world twice a day.

It is proposed to supply paper handkerchiefs free to London school children who are not so equipped.

Icelanders reckon a person's age, not by his birthdays, but by the number of Christmas Days he has seen.

A circus lioness, escaping from its cage, attacked a horse and was knocked unconscious with a single kick.

Seventy-three Irish members of the British parliament have sworn allegiance to the Irish Republican Government.

From a shark weighing 500 pounds it is possible to obtain ten square feet of leather suitable for boots and shoes.

In Hungary, convicted profiteers are compelled to walk the streets carrying banners bearing the words, "I am a profiteer."

To preserve against lightning, the Greeks favored the bay tree, said to be impervious to storms. The withering of the bay tree prophesied evil happenings.

Some of the poisons used by the Bushmen of Australia are so virulent that a scratch from an arrow dipped in one of them means death to man or beast within a few minutes.

WAR FINANCE CORPORATION IS AGAIN IN OPERATION BY OVERRIDING OF WILSON VETO

Vote in Lower House was 37 More than the Necessary Two-thirds Majority for Readoption Over the Veto--Move is On to Reduce Representation in Congress from the Southern States.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The resolution reviving the war finance corporation became law today with reodoption by the house over President Wilson's veto. The vote was 250 to 66 with three voting present or 37 more than the required two-thirds majority. Warning was given the house census committee by Representative Tinkham (Republican) of Massachusetts that if congress in passing the reapportionment bill failed to reduce the representation where he charged that the right of some citizens to the suffrage was abridged, he would take the matter up to the supreme court.

COURT SUSTAINED OBJECTION TO PLAN

THE BIG PACKERS MUST OFFER MORE ACCEPTABLE PLAN FOR STOCKYARD DIVORCEMENT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The government's objections to the plans for divorcement of stock yards holdings submitted by the big packers under the recent agreed decree were sustained today by Justice Stafford of the District of Columbia supreme court. Any acceptable plan must provide for early and complete divorcement of all obnoxious holdings, the court held. Justice Stafford also sustained the government's contention that the decree of divorcement may be made effective by receivership and sale. Unless the defendants are able to present a suitable plan for which time extensions are allowed, the court served notice that such action will be taken.

CALLED TO COLORS.

By Associated Press.

Constantinople, Jan. 4.—The national assembly of the Turkish Nationalist government at Angora has called all Mussulmans between the ages of 20 and 30 years to the colors, an Angora message announced yesterday.

TRIED FOR KILLING.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 4.—Taking of evidence in the case of J. M. Ellis, a former deputy sheriff of Stephens county and an ex-ranger, charged with killing A. E. Lockhart during a raid November 16, began today at Breckenridge. Ellis was a member of a party of officers making the raid and Lockhart was shot to death.

FOUR ECLIPSES IN 1921.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The year 1921 will afford American astronomers only a meagre opportunity to increase their knowledge of eclipses by practical observations, unless they pack their cameras and long-named instruments and hie themselves to distant parts. There will be four eclipses during the year, two of the sun and two of the moon, but neither of the solar eclipses will be visible in North America and of only one of the lunar eclipses will it be possible to get a good view, and this only if the atmospheric conditions are favorable.

The first eclipse of the year will be an annular eclipse of the sun on April 8, which will not be visible in the United States or Canada.

Later in the same month, however, there will be a total eclipse of the moon, which may be observed all over North America, as well as the South American continent and a large part of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The eclipse will begin on April 22, at 1:03 Washington time. Totality will begin at 2:23 a. m. and end at 3:05.

The third and most important eclipse of the year from a scientific viewpoint will be a total eclipse of the sun on October 1. This will not be visible in this part of the globe, but it is likely that some of the big American universities and scientific societies will send expeditions to South America, where the best observations of the astronomical phenomena will be obtained.

The fourth and last eclipse of the year will be a partial eclipse of the moon on October 16. This will be visible throughout Europe, Africa and Asia, but only the end will be visible to the people of North America.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo,

Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1920. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists. 15c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

NEW LEGISLATION IS NOW MADE READY

TARRANT COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE HAS MEASURES READY TO INTRODUCE IN HOUSE.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 4.—Modification of the suspended sentence law and bonus for Texans who served in the world war are included in legislation which Representative Wallace Malone of Tarrant county will offer in the lower house at Austin January 11, he announced today.

TOKIO IS SEVENTH.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Nov. 16.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—The figures of the recent census show that Tokio is the seventh city of the world with a population of 2,147,190. The population of Osaka, the second city of Japan, is 1,248,056, but if the suburbs are included Osaka's population is 2,578,331.

NOTE WAS GOOD.

By Associated Press.

Toko, Jan. 4.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Found in an iron pot in 1917, a note of the Mitsui Bank drawn in 1880 for Y. 160,000 and purchased by Mr. Yasutaro Murakami, a medicine manufacturer of Dojima, Osaka, has been held good by the Yokohama District Court. The bank has been directed to pay Mr. Murakami the face value with accrued interest.

SHOT FOR THEFT.

By Associated Press.

Cracow, Poland, Jan. 4.—Four soldiers found guilty of having stolen nine sacks of American flour from army supplies were shot recently. The executions were carried out under a law passed by the Diet last year making it a capital offense to steal from the army. A fifth soldier, also court-martialed in connection with the flour theft, was sentenced to prison, as it was shown that he had taken a minor part in the affair.

ATTACK VICE.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The Catholic bishops of Germany have issued a pastoral letter asking all parishioners to unite in a campaign against vice, which is charged flourishes in many cities. The bishops call particular attention to the "immorality" of some theaters, moving picture houses and restaurants, where it is alleged vicious dancing prevails.

Women are asked to help do away with some of the "shameful modes" of women's dresses and to guard their daughters against the dangers of "loose thinking and careless living." The bishops say public immorality since the war has reached a point where it threatens to undermine family life and the morale of the people and urge the necessity of a sharp reaction and return to "older and better standards."

MICHIGAN'S G. O. P. LEGISLATURE.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 4.—As a result of the clean-sweep made by the Republican party in Michigan in the November election the State legislature which is to convene in biennial session tomorrow will be an all-Republican affair, as regards both the senate and house. The session will be the first in many years in which the Democratic party has not been represented.

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From Monday's Daily.

AN EXTRAVAGANT CUSTOM.

A Democratic member of the senate—Fletcher of Florida—called attention the other day to the simplicity of Thomas Jefferson's inauguration, when the president-elect rode his horse into Washington, tied him to a rail and went to the capitol to take the oath of office.

This was brought out when Senator Borah complained of the extravagance of the inauguration ceremonies, and said that for his part he would be willing to appropriate \$10 to pay the president-elect's automobile trip to the capitol, and that all else was non-essential.

It seems that economy is to be the keynote of the incoming administration, and that the cheese-paring is to commence with the very inauguration of the new president, who is held up as a model of democratic simplicity.

It would be strange if the people of the United States, whose money-congress wastes in so many shameless ways, could not afford to inaugurate their president every four years with a little more ceremony than that employed in swearing in a country justice of the peace.

Of course, waste is abhorrent, especially in these days of thrift when a single commission or "investigating" committee expends more in a week than would inaugurate a half dozen presidents.

When Jefferson was inaugurated there was not a railroad, not a telephone or telephone line, and only a few stage coaches in the entire country, with a "coach of state" that was used when the somewhat sketchy roads would permit.

There was but a small army and practically no navy; there was no lighting system save the candles and a few whale oil lamps that were carefully saved when not absolutely necessary. There were no paved streets, no sidewalks and but a few people aside from the officials in the capital city.

No one dreamed of traveling any distance to see the president inaugurated. Very few people were interested in the inauguration, and for that matter, very few people were even then used to a president. Even the senators and representatives in congress were of but small importance compared with some of the landed gentry, and they could not have secured a crowd had they even offered free cider and cakes.

There was little dignity about the administration of Thomas Jefferson. He was a man who was opposed to all pomp and ceremony, and those who came to see him were interested in matters of statecraft more than in congressional dignity or senatorial stateliness.

We elevate a man to the presidency and make of him the chief executive of the people's will as expressed by their representatives and senators, and his office is one of the highest in the world during the term for which he is elected.

It is but fitting that we have some ceremony and some pomp through which to express the exalted idea we have of his high office when he is invested with the reins of government. It is not fitting that he be "chucked" into office as if he were some hired man told where he could find the harness oil and where to hang old Sue's bridle.

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By all means, be as economical as you like, gentlemen; but at least leave us the remnants of our self-respect. We are not yet ready for a "bargain" inauguration or a cut-price ceremony, no matter how much it may save. The money will be cheerfully forthcoming. Naturally, one is wor-

ried over the matter of the "bowl that cheers" and the money it used to cost. But something may take its place.

REDUCING THE ARMY.

Congress authorized an army of 250,000 and then appropriated money for an army of less than half that size. Secretary Baker interpreted the army act as mandatory upon him, and began the recruiting of the necessary number of men to bring the personnel up to the figure set by congress, resulting in a deficit which congress so far has not arranged to make good.

Now the Republican leaders say it is the purpose of the incoming administration, in conjunction with congress to reduce the army to 150,000, which will necessitate the discharging of nearly half the men already enlisted for a term of three years, and which will disorganize the entire military establishment for some months.

It is time that the army and navy ceased to be the playthings of congress. Of course congress has the power to set the figures for the regular army and navy personnel, but it certainly seems unreasonable to the average citizen to be forever tinkering with the army.

Some years ago when the regular army consisted of 50,000 men and officers there was a certainty of promotion in regular line for the officers, and the army was a home for the enlisted men who chose to fill out the full period for which they could enlist.

But since the Spanish war there has been a constant change in the army, each congress trying its "prentice hand" at formulating a new army bill which changed the number of officers and men permitted, as well as changing the term of enlistment, establishing and then abolishing the reserve, changing the rate of pay for enlisted men and finally changing the pay for commissioned officers.

There was for a time increased pay for foreign service. There was also an arrangement by which the men serving outside the continental limits of the United States were allowed double time for their retirement. The pay was raised to \$15, put back to \$13, raised to \$30 and now is liable to be reduced again to some small and inadequate figure.

During all this time it was found difficult to get men when most needed, except during the period of patriotic fervor in time of war, when a great many offered their services, only to find that they were not acceptable.

It has taken an intensive campaign including some of the best advertising ever done by any army chiefs to get the present personnel of the army filled up. Secretary Baker estimates that the entire 250,000, at the present rate of enlistment, will be secured by March 1, and immediately thereafter congress proposes to reduce the army to not to exceed 150,000, with the probability that at least one-half the men secured by such strenuous efforts will be offered their discharge upon application, and that does not reduce the army fast enough, others will be discharged "by general order."

The Second division, located in Texas, has been recruited to full strength, and as the nucleus for the regional army corps to include the militia of several states it gave promise of the best training the volunteer forces of our country have ever had.

If this division is depleted by the new army bill, it cannot be hoped to again secure the necessary men for the various staff departments, and instead of having a regular division capable of instructing the militia, there will not be half enough men or officers.

The equipment for an army of three million men, we are told, will be administration of Thomas Jefferson. Kept up, while the "skeleton army" proposed will be but 5 per cent of the all pomp and ceremony, and those who came to see him were interested in matters of statecraft more than in congressional dignity or senatorial stateliness.

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GREAT EXHIBITION OF THE NATIONAL SPORT SATURDAY

SIS HOPKINS TEAM DEFEATED ROTARIANS BY CLOSE SCORE.

Baseballettes Copped Game by Score of 35 to 34; Many Interesting Features Occurred During Game.

When Charley Chaplin sets out in quest of the germ of a plot which needs incubation and development into the finished article, he should take a few days off and come down to Laredo and arrange with the Sis Hopkins and the Rotarians baseball teams to play a game of baseball for his edification. The inimitable Charlie is great on travesties, laugh provokers and the like, but he has competitors right here in Laredo that have an edge on all his funnydoodles and produce an article that is more ludicrous than his offerings.

Before the largest crowd of enthusiastic and giggling fans and fancies ever gathered in Caliche Park on Saturday afternoon an exhibition of the great national sport the like of which was never before witnessed in Laredo was seen, and everybody who got an eyeful of the game got an eyeful of tears, too, for never once did their engine skip in laughter—it was of the salutary and substantial kind (whatever that may have been) into the game and both were determined to win, with the result that it was a case of bluff, bing and bang and the ball went soaring away like an American airplane in quest of a German machine gun nest. If the ball didn't go skyward and decided to take a straighter course toward some baseman or basemanette that individual either stopped it or ducked and let 'er go toward its destination. In fact no hot liners were blocked by the in-trepid ball players, and only bouncers or rollers were scooped in. Marquard, Copeleskie and others were outclassed in the article offered by the twirlers in this great game, for besides spit balls, Manhattan glides, Chacon twisters and Rio Grande slants, there were some weird offerings that made the speeding sphere look like a molecule of dust and when the batter made a big swipe at the thing the umpire would yell out: "Never touched it; strike!" Sliding to bases was another great stunt, and many made it safe, except when some masculine players landed too quickly some lady basemanette would protest "he didn't touch the base; he landed on my foot and squashed my corn." And in this case the protest would be sustained and the ump would yield his club and acclaim: "You're out; land on the base and not on sis' toes." When some big husky would come to the bat the "sisters" would square off on the field like a bunch of militant suffragettes doing patrol duty and when they heard the crash between the bat and the pellet would start running and yell out: "I'm going east; keep yer eye on the ball and signal me when to stop." If, on the other hand, the twirler offered something the backstop considered too warm to handle, the "pigtail" was kept busy chasing the ball and the rules permitted the aforesaid pigtail delivering the ball on the roll to some baseman or basemanette in an effort to stop some wild-eyed runner headed for an advanced base. It would necessitate devoting several columns of space to playing up the features of this great game, and for lack of space and paper on which to transcribe the aforesaid details, it can only be said that those who missed the game missed something great.

The game was won by the Sis Hopkins aggregation by a score of 35 to 34—an unusually close contest but there is a dispute as to the hits and errors as some claim the baseballettes made about 20 errors, while others claim they made three times that number, and as for hits it was impossible to get a correct line on the swiftest indulged in by either side.

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ATHLETIC CLUB WILL OPEN WITH AN INTERESTING CARD

NUMEROUS BOUTS ARE ON THE CARD FOR OPENING FRIDAY.

No Admissions Will Be Sold, But Only Those Who Hold Memberships in Club Will Be Admitted.

The American Legion Athletic Club will have its grand opening at the Lincoln Skating Rink on Friday evening, January 7, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, and assessments for this entertainment will be \$1 and \$1.50 to members only, so if you are not a member already become one at once by seeing the secretary at the Soldiers Club any afternoon. An interesting boxing program has been arranged for the opening night of the new athletic club.

The curtain-raiser will be a four-round bout between Little Chick and Baby Halon at 112 pounds. Then comes a preliminary of six rounds between Battling Leggett and Kid Mario at 125 pounds. Battling Leggett is one of the best known fighters of Connecticut and the best man of his weight in all New England. Kid Mario is also a well known fighter of the East. The winner of this match will be matched with Kid Poncho of San Antonio.

The semi-final will be six rounds between Kid Logan and Knockout Roland. Logan comes from Cleveland, Ohio, and is a very clever boxer, while Knockout Roland was one of the best fighters of the Second Division overseas. The winner of this bout will be matched against one of the best men in the south at a later date by the club.

The main bout of eight rounds at 135 pounds will be between Young Wehner and Battling Haddad. Young Wehner is the pride of Baltimore and Washington and has never received a knock, and he has challenged anyone of his weight anywhere. Battling Haddad has a long line of victories to his credit and wields an ugly arm at opportune times.

The time-keeper and referees of this opening night of the new athletic club will be announced some time during the week.

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GALBRAITH AND GOMPERS.

By Associated Press.
Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 3.—Correspondence between F. W. Galbraith, Jr., national commander of the American Legion, and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has been made public at the national headquarters of the Legion. The letters, which continue an exchange begun before Mr. Galbraith took office, reveal the two executives in accord on the principle that an organization as such can scarcely be held responsible for acts of individual members which may not agree with either the letter or the spirit of the body's official pronouncements. Each of the correspondents expressed the hope that they might meet and talk over the problems confronting them.

The first letter was written by Mr. Galbraith Nov. 2 in response to one which Mr. Gompers had sent to Franklin D'Olier, former commander of the Legion, last August. The labor leader had called attention to reports that "members of The American Legion were improperly participating in certain political activities in the state of Kansas" and Mr. Galbraith wrote that a reply had been delayed because he needed time to familiarize himself with the situation. He added:

"As a result of an investigation the officials of the American Legion in Kansas report that The American Legion did not participate as such in the incidents reported to you. If any members of The American Legion did take part in any of these reported incidents, it was entirely upon their own responsibility, without sanction from any official of The American Legion and in violation of our expressed policy.

"As you know, The American Legion is an association of former soldiers, sailors and marines associated for the following purposes:

"To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the Great War; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both able but should receive the 'sympathetic support of every right-thinking progressive man.'

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AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

At the Rialto Wednesday-Thursday. Von Stroheim's master picture, "The Devil's Passkey," is the offering at the Rialto Theater for Wednesday-Thursday. "The picture is sumptuously mounted," says Laurence Reid in Motion Picture News. "It is a novelty because it is so painstaking from every angle. He (Von Stroheim) believes that no story can be properly presented unless it is given the correct atmosphere. The most insignificant detail is brought out in a realistic manner. Nothing is forgotten."

Norma Talmadge at Strand.
Manager Epstein of the Strand Theater is giving his patrons a great treat on tomorrow and Wednesday, when he will present the star of stars, Norma Talmadge in "Yes or No," one of those high-class First National productions which guarantee to the movie patrons the best there is in motion pictures. The play is based on the theme of flattery. And it is this same theme that makes "Yes or No?" Miss Talmadge's latest First National attraction, instructive as well as entertaining. In it the audience is shown the male flatterer at his deadly work both in the home of wealth and the humbler tenement—it shows the male vamp in evening clothes and the pursuer in livery—both deadly and dangerous. It graphically describes how two women in diametrically opposite stations of life accept the attentions of this despicable type of man.

Mary Miles Minter at Royal.
The head of the local library reports a remarkable demand for the Pinero play "Sweet Lavender," since Manager Valdez's announcement that Mary Miles Minter would appear in a film version of it at his Royal Theatre for two days beginning tomorrow. "Sweet Lavender" is thought by many to be the greatest of the many Pinero successes. It has been prepared for the screen by Beulah Marie Dix, who has preserved all of the delicious humor of the original. Paul Powell, who directed "Pollyanna" for Mary Pickford, also directed this piece. Lovers of the drama are planning to attend the performances of "Sweet Lavender," considered a perfect example of the best in stage offerings. It is a Realart picture.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

- JANUARY 3.
- 1740—Benedict Arnold, who plotted to betray West Point to the British, born at Norwich, Conn. Died in London, June 14, 1801.
 - 1777—Washington surprised and defeated the British at Princeton, N. J.
 - 1795—Josiah Wedgwood, originator of the famous pottery ware which bears his name, died in England. Born there, July 12, 1730.
 - 1831—George Mannville Fenn, who wrote more than one hundred novels and one thousand short stories, born in London. Died there in 1909.
 - 1846—Franklin Murphy, governor of New Jersey, born in Jersey City. Died at Palm Beach, Fla., Feb. 23, 1920.
 - 1871—Several German bankers were condemned to imprisonment for subscribing to the French loan.
 - 1896—Great war excitement in England over the Kaiser's message of congratulation to President Kruger.
 - 1907—French Church and State Separation law was promulgated.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

Constantinople has several woman suffrage clubs.
Keene, N. H., has five women in its city council.
Boston's policemen are to receive the same pay as policemen.
All but eight States have adopted some form of a mothers' pension.
Santiago, Chile, has one high school attended by more than 1,500 girls.
In the United States there are four times as many women church members as men.
The courts in Michigan have upheld the right of women to hold elective office in that State.
It is an old belief that Christmas brides are frivolous and fond of novelty and excitement.
In Sweden a wife has the right to bear her own family name in addition to that of her husband.
In many parts of the South of England there is a superstition that girls born on Christmas Day should be brought up to become nurses, otherwise their lives will always be a dreary round of ill-success.
Many women are now studying law not with the view to practicing the profession, but in order to qualify for positions in the legal departments of large corporations, civic organizations, and educational institutions.

LOCAL NEWS

—The kindergarten at the Villegas building will re-open on Monday, January 10.
—Up to this morning there had been no carload importations of goods brought across the boundary line since the beginning of the new year, but the indications are that they will begin to roll in this afternoon.
—The Acme Laundry is a family laundry. We will be glad to get your work. O. Willhite, Manager, 2018 Turbide St. 12-29-12t.
—Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-tf.

—The revolvers, cartridges, etc., advertised for sale at public auction by the United States marshal, being all seized goods, were disposed of to the highest bidders for cash on the third floor of the federal building this morning by Deputy U. S. Marshal Allen Walker.
—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348.

—This is the last month in which you can pay poll taxes if you are to exercise the privilege of the ballot at the polls this year. With poll taxes and other taxes due this month the county tax collector's office will be a busy place for the remainder of the month.
—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigreed seed. Please write or full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-tf.

—Pursuant to call issued several days ago by County Judge A. Winslow, the county commissioners court convened in special session at the county judge's office this afternoon at 2 o'clock to consider matters in connection with the work on the Zapata highway.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—Today has been one of the most ideal days that could be desired, following a Sunday when the skies were overshadowed by threatening clouds and the sun appeared afraid to show his face very long at a time.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-2-tf.

—A fine nine-pound boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert West on Sunday morning, December 26 to keep company with his two little sisters.

SAMUEL GOMPERS ON HIS WAY TO MEXICO IS EN ROUTE HERE

PRESIDENT AND OTHER EXECUTIVES AMERICAN FED. LABOR.

Will Be Met at Border by Luis N. Morones, Pres. Mex. Confederation Labor, Who Has Arrived.

Luis N. Morones, president of the Mexican Confederation of Labor, and who is known as the Samuel Gompers of Mexico, is in Nuevo Laredo awaiting the arrival here this week of President Samuel Gompers and other executives of the American Federation of Labor, who are expected to reach Laredo on their way to Mexico City the latter part of this week.
The American Federation of Labor officials are going to Mexico City to attend the annual convention of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, which meets in the Mexican capital on next Monday, January 10, for a several days' session. From Nuevo Laredo to the Mexican capital the labor officials will travel in a special car chartered by the Mexican Confederation of Labor. Clemente N. Ibar, district organizer of the American Federation of Labor, will accompany the American labor executive to Mexico City.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 3.
Joseph M. Dixon, who takes office today as governor of Montana, has had a long experience in public affairs, both state and national. He is best remembered, perhaps, for his services as United States senator from Montana, to which office he was elected as a Republican in 1906, after having served two terms in the lower house of Congress. Mr. Dixon is a native of North Carolina and received his education at Earlham College, at Richmond, Ind., and at Guilford College, North Carolina. Shortly after he became of age he removed to Montana, settling in Missoula for the practice of law. In the earlier part of his public career he served as prosecuting attorney of his county and as a member of the Montana legislature.

TIMES WANT ADS.
\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$

SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.
There will be a meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society at the Methodist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
Tuesday.
The Junior Auxiliary will meet at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
The Sunbeam Band of the Baptist Church will meet at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
Regular meeting of Mirlam Chapter No. 86, O. E. S., at Masonic hall at 8 o'clock in the evening.

My Wish For You.
The sun, the rain, the wind
All go to make the day;
But you should only have the sun,
If I could have my way.

The world is full of pain,
Of sorrow, joy, and strife;
Yet you should only have the joy,
If I could make your life.

The world holds bitter hate
As well as love divine;
But you should only have the love,
If power to give were mine.

The flowers, the thorns, the weeds
In every garden grow;
Yet you should only have the flowers,
If I could make it so.

And though for you I'd change
Rain sorrow and weeping,
I'd have you just as you were made;
You're all that mortal needs!

—Cyril Vincent Holden.

General Mention.

Earnest Henner returned to Houston yesterday to resume his studies at the Rice Institute after spending the holidays with his parents.

Misses Josephine and Altee Smith were expected back today from El Campo, where they spent the holidays with their mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart H. Lewis and Mrs. Mary Savage and son, left this morning in their auto for their home in Austin after a few days visit in Laredo.

Mrs. H. G. DaCamara is expected home today from Corpus Christi, where she has been for the past week.

Jack King left yesterday for Houston to re-enter Rice Institute after spending the holidays at home.

Mr. Moro of San Antonio is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. William Epstein have returned from a several weeks' stay in Mexico City.

Miss Cynthia Press left yesterday morning for Austin to re-enter the University, after spending the holidays in the city with relatives.

Miss Lou Vena Sirois returned to Austin last night to resume her studies at the University, after spending the holidays with her parents.

Miss May Netzer left last night for Austin after spending the holidays with her parents.

Ed Mann left last night for Austin, after being in Laredo for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Polly Yates returned to her home in Millett yesterday morning, after spending a few days with Miss Irene Leyendecker.

Mr. Joe Davies of Monterrey, Mexico, is among the visitors in the city.

Mrs. Dave Clark of Tampico, Mex., is expected in the city this week for a short stay.

Miss Mildred Leyendecker returned home yesterday afternoon from Millett, where she was the guest of Mrs. Yates and family for several days.

Announcement.

There will be no meeting of the Woman's Club this afternoon on account of the illness of the leader.

Benefit for Orphans.

The "Circulo Artístico Recreativo," under the auspices of the International Institute, will give a benefit performance at the Royal Opera House on Thursday evening, the proceeds to be devoted to the benefit of the children of the Orphanage on the Heights. A splendid program has been arranged, including two comedies given by local talent, with choruses, dances, recitations and overtures by the Royal orchestra. The prices of admission range from 25c to 75c and seats will be on sale at the Royal during the week. A more complete announcement will be made later.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
Tonight fair; warmer. Tuesday fair.

Local Weather Report.
The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:
Max. temp. 71 degs.
Min. temp. 49 degs.
General direction of wind: North. Cloudy.

GOV. COX'S MESSAGE.

By Associated Press.
Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 3.—In a New Year's message, Governor James M. Cox of Ohio, democratic candidate for president, declares that partisan spirit has been running too high in this country and that it ought to subside. He also expresses the hope that every person will give loyal support to governmental authority.

The Governor's message, written for distribution through The Associated Press follows:

"The New Year holds much of opportunity for service. The conditions of the world are more upset than at any time in the memory of living man, and civilization is close to its real test. It will endure if the peoples of the earth rise above prejudice, recognize that a changed order has established new social and national dependencies, and devote themselves to the welfare of humanity in its broadest sense. Political partisan spirit has run too high in our country. It ought to subside.
"Personally, I hope the New Year brings order in the world and that in America every person will give loyal support to governmental authority."

HARNESS THE SEVERN.

By Associated Press.
London, Jan. 3.—The British Ministry of Transport has just public a scheme to harness the tidal waters of the river Severn at a cost of £30,000,000 and to erect a power plant greater than that of Niagara Falls. The Severn divides England from Wales.

The project is an outcome of the efforts of Sir Alexander Gibb, chief engineer of ports construction in the British army during the war and builder of the great naval dockyard at Rosyth. It is calculated that the power plant could produce 1,000,000 horse-power at its peak load capacity and that it would save 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 tons of coal a year. It is claimed that it would revolutionize the whole industry of the west of England and even supply London with cheap electric current.

A concrete dam would be placed across the river creating a locked basin 27 square miles in extent into which vessels could pass through a channel. It is estimated that the undertaking would provide work for 250,000 men for seven years.

In the spring tides the Severn rises 38 feet, the second highest tide after the Bay of Fundy. The fact that tidal waters have never yet been used for the generation of electricity on such a vast scale, coupled with the big estimated cost of the scheme, make engineering experts cautious in expressing views as to its feasibility.

The Times editorially refers to the project as "somewhat flamboyant." The consent of parliament must be obtained before the scheme can be put into operation.

FROM HERE AND THERE.

Europe has fourteen reigning sovereigns.

An ordinary pair of boots in France costs twenty-five dollars.

Submarines are forbidden to Germany by the terms of the Peace Treaty.

About one-half of all the diamonds in the world are owned by Americans.

Seaweed, mashed into a pulp and mixed with flour, is a breakfast dish recently introduced to London.

A negro minister, offered a D. D. degree on payment of certain fees, asked if he could purchase the letters one at a time.

Machinery recently devised will lay concrete on a roadway 9 to 12 inches in thickness, covering 14,000 square feet in a day.

A wine-drinker the Spaniard sets the pace with an average of 35 gallons a year, leading the Frenchman by 4 gallons and the Italian by 11.

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SENATE PASSED RESOLUTION OVER VETO OF PRESIDENT WILSON BY BIG MAJORITY

On Recommendation of Secretary Houston of the Treasury Department, the President Decided to Veto the Resolution Reviving the War Finance Corporation but the Senate Took Prompt Action.

LOST BALLOONISTS FOUND IN THE WOODS

LOST FOR FOUR DAYS BEFORE FINALLY REACHING HUDSON

BAY COMPANY POST.

By Associated Press.
Rockaway, N. Y., Jan. 3.—The three missing naval-balloons of the navy which have been objects of a search through Northern New York and Canada since they dropped from eight three weeks ago today are en route home from the wilds of Ontario via dog sleds. The trio landed near Moose Factory, a remote trading post of the Hudson Bay Company, December 14, the day after starting from Rockaway. After four days in the woods they found safety at the post. Word of their safety reached here in a telegram from the fliers sent by messenger to the nearest telegraph office at Mattice, relayed last night. The members of the crew are: Lieutenant Walter Hinton, of Belle Harbor, N. Y.; Lieutenant Stephen Farrel, of New York; Lieutenant Louis Kloor Jr., of New Orleans.

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By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The resolution to revive the war finance corporation was passed today by the senate over President Wilson's veto. The vote was taken immediately after the president's veto message was read. Similar action in the house was forecast by the supporters of the resolution, which was designed to aid farmers and others in the present period of declining prices. The vote to override the president's veto was 53 to 5, or 19 more than the necessary two-thirds majority.

Recommended by Houston.

Washington, Jan. 3.—From official sources it was learned today that President Wilson had decided to veto the resolution to revive the war finance corporation as an aid to farming and other industries. Disapproval of the measure was recommended by Secretary Houston.

APPROVES PAYMENT OF HUGE INDEMNITY

SENATOR THOMAS SAYS OUR ACTION ON CANAL MATTER WAS COMPLETELY INDEFENSIBLE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 3.—American conduct of negotiations for the construction of the Panama canal began first with the republic of Columbia and later carried on with the state of Panama, were "without jurisdiction, and therefore indefensible," Senator Thomas (Democrat) of Colorado, declared today in the senate, speaking for ratification of the treaty involving payment of a \$25,000,000 indemnity to Colombia which had been pending for several years.

TELEPHONE DAY IN THE FEDERAL COURT

MANY CASES COME UP OVER ATTEMPT OF COMPANIES TO INCREASE THEIR RATES.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 3.—Today is "telephone day" in federal court here. Judge James Wilson had applications from telephone companies in Alford and Fort Worth seeking to restrain local officials from preventing an increase in rates for local service. Also the aftermath case of the Dallas Telephone Company was docketed, seeking to remove from the state courts suits against that company by citizens of Dallas designed to prevent collection of 100 per cent increase in rates which became effective December 1.

RETIRING MESSAGE.

By Associated Press.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 3.—William M. Harding, retiring Governor of Iowa, today addressed the following greeting to the people of Iowa through The Associated Press: "Greetings of the season and good wishes are extended to all the people of the state.
"The past year has had its trials and hardships for each individual in some peculiar way, but viewed in the larger aspect it has been a year of achievement and success for the state and her people.
"With especial good will to my successor in office and gratitude to the people of the state for their kindness to me, and confidence bestowed, I wish all a very happy and prosperous New Year."

By Associated Press.

Denikine Government in Southern Russia reported overthrown.
United States Government started credits to Europe for rehabilitation.

TIMES WANT ADS.
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CARDINAL GIBBONS WANTS TO GO HOME

DOCTORS BELIEVE THE CHANGE WOULD DO HIM GOOD AND WILL RETURN TO BALTIMORE.

By Associated Press.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 3.—Cardinal Gibbons passed a comfortable night and his condition today was virtually unchanged, according to reports from his bedside at Union Mills, Maryland, where he is staying at the home of friends. The cardinal wants to return home, and this physicians, believing the change will be beneficial, may try to remove him to Baltimore tomorrow or Wednesday if no setback occurs or seems impending.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 3.—A bill designed to prevent "doctoring or adulteration of a sick man's liquor" was introduced today by Representative Vann (Republican) of Pennsylvania. Specifically it would stop the sale for medicinal purposes of whiskey containing less than 45 per cent alcohol.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 3.—Jeremiah Bohan, prohibition enforcement agent, said by the police to be the mysterious "Mr. X" sought in connection with the recent killing of "Monk" East, declared today in the senate, speaking for ratification of the treaty involving payment of a \$25,000,000 indemnity to Colombia which had been pending for several years.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, Russian soviet representative in this country, whose deportation had been ordered was formally surrendered today to Secretary Wilson at the department of labor by his counsel. Martens had been in the custody of the attorney since his arrest several months ago.

By Associated Press.

Washington, January 3.—Senator Borah's resolution looking to reduction of future naval building of the United States Great Britain and Japan was considered today by the senate foreign relations committee but final action was deferred. Admiral Kootz, chief of naval operations, was the principal witness before the committee.

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 3.—Entering the new year with courage, the people of the United States can look forward to a steady return to prosperity, Gov. J. P. Goodrich of Indiana said in a New Year's greeting issued through The Associated Press today. Gov. Goodrich's message follows:
"The year just closing has been one of varying fortune for the people of the United States. It opened in the midst of an era of unprecedented expansion in business. Later came the inevitable reaction and doubt and uncertainty in the business world. I believe, however, that we may enter the year with renewed courage, and we can then look forward to a steady recovery and a prosperous year. Let us, therefore, face the new year with courage resolved to do our part for the welfare of the Republic."

By Associated Press.

Gen. Marston G. Clark, a noted Indiana pioneer who died in 1846, was one of a family of thirty-one brothers and sisters, by the same father and

From Tuesday's Daily.

THE ALIEN SCARE.

Answering some of the alarmist reports to the effect that "millions of Europeans are ready to come to the United States," and that we shall be overrun by a swarm of aliens, the Inter-Racial Council shows the absurdity of all such statements.

General Coleman DuPont, chairman of the board of directors of the council, says: "If the laws as they stand were enforced by an adequate staff we should have only immigrants of good moral character, physically sound, mentally competent, self-supporting and opposed to violence and revolution."

Then he goes on to show how absurd is the statement that twenty-five millions—the extreme of the alarmists' figures—or even fifteen millions—their lowest figure—could be transported to this country.

Says the general: "There are approximately seventy-five passenger-carrying vessels plying between the United States and Europe, and if the estimated fifteen million immigrants were evenly distributed among these vessels, an average of 200,000 persons would be allotted to each. Figuring 2,000 as the average number of immigrants that could be accommodated on each trip, it would require 100 trips for each vessel to transport her allotment. Assuming that each vessel would make one round trip per month, it would require eight and one half years to carry the 15,000,000 immigrants to the United States."

Then he calls attention to the fact, which no one could dispute, that with the loss of manpower and with the urgent necessity of all Europe getting back to work to avoid an economic breakdown, it would be disastrous for European governments to permit that many people to leave their homelands. They simply would not—could not—permit it.

So it can readily be seen that all this alarmist talk of the necessity for reducing immigration, or cutting it off altogether, is not based on real facts. Indeed, it is wholly imaginary.

General DuPont calls attention to the significant fact that the net immigration to this country during the past fiscal year was but 9,877. Ten thousand more aliens left for Europe than came here from those countries, and while the emigration from our country was 102,000, the total immigration amounted to 101,748, of whom some came from Canada and others from Mexico.

He says that enforcement of existing laws would keep out all undesirable, those who are barred for mental, moral, physical, political or economic reasons, and that the only reason they are not enforced is because the immigration system has not an adequate staff.

In closing his statement, General DuPont says: "We cannot continue to interpret immigration in terms of prejudice and intolerance. It is a question for patient study and investigation, for it is closely bound up not only with our industrial prosperity, but with our civic and social development as well."

For years we received alien immigrants and let them be dumped on our shores without regard to their assimilation. We permitted the big cities of the East to become hotbeds of anarchy and unrest because we did not care whether the immigrants became Americanized or remained as alien in ideas and ideals as they were when they came here.

We are now discovering that many thousands of these immigrants became, without any effort on our part, as good citizens as any we have, while others, because of criminal instincts, or beastly ignorance, or some other reason for which they are not wholly to blame, remain apart from us and never become identified with the country in which they live for a greater or less period.

Restriction of all immigration might result in shutting out some who would in the future be useful citizens, a credit to us as well as to themselves. Immigrants have helped to make our country what it is; they may help to make it greater.

THE CHIEF GATEWAY.

Once more San Antonio is out with one of her ridiculous claims—this time declaring herself "the chief gateway into Mexico!" And the fact (?) that one cannot enter or leave Mexico without going through San Antonio is urged as the reason for Mexican buyers to go there and secure their needed goods!

The trouble with San Antonio is that one can go anywhere else with no difficulty whatever after leaving the real gateway to and from Mexico—Laredo. And that is why San Antonio makes such frantic efforts to get on the map with regard to Mexico. People can—and many times do—go elsewhere to buy their goods after reaching Laredo, and San Antonio is so frequently left out in the cold that she has to grab for what she gets, which accounts for her well-developed reach.

The real gateway to and from Mexico is in danger of being lost to view through the desperate efforts of San Antonio to grasp anything that is loose. Laredo is a small city, compared with San Antonio, but she has ceremony, no matter how trivial, to save. The money will be forthcoming. Naturally, one

grown is because the people of that city are willing to go after what they want. It is not always as easy as taking candy from a child to get what they want, but if need arises they are willing to take a piece of lead pipe and use strenuous measures. There is nothing to recommend San Antonio as a market over Laredo. That is, nothing except the superior determination and energy and—if it must be said—the unscrupulousness—of the San Antonians. They are willing to go to any lengths to secure what they want. They do not care whether anyone else has a better right than they have; they will do anything that is within the law to get what they are after.

San Antonio started out with but one claim to greatness—the historical associations connected with the sacred past. But along the way she threw overboard all hampering restrictions, all scruples, all feelings of friendship for rivals and competitors, and became the Sinn Fein of Texas—for ourselves alone.

In a business way the people of San Antonio are to be commended. They know what they want and they go after it. Had the people of Laredo shown the same determination to get what they wanted, we should today have one of the greatest cities of the Southwest.

And it must be remembered that the San Antonio is for himself first and for his neighbors afterwards, but he is all the time for San Antonio, for he realizes that the success and the progress of San Antonio mean his own material success.

The people of Mexico know Laredo as well as they do San Antonio. They know that they can secure accommodations in the Alamo City that are not obtainable here. They know there is a better display of merchandise there than we can show, and that samples of almost anything on earth can be gotten there, whether the goods are available or not.

It is time the people of Laredo were waking up to their opportunities. For years the merchants of Mexico have passed through this gateway and gone elsewhere to buy goods. Not only San Antonio, but Dallas and Houston and St. Louis as well, have sold goods to the Mexicans who do not care where they buy, so long as they can get delivery.

The people of Laredo are better equipped to sell goods to the Mexican buyers than those of any other city in this country. They know the Mexican, their language, their customs and their wants. They can treat with them without the interposition of any third person. They already have the confidence of their neighbors to the south, and that is the first prime requisite in business dealings.

Build hotels to care for the transients within our gates. Establish connections with manufacturers, just as San Antonio does. Build up a business here that is commensurate with our importance as a port and we will get what is our due.

COMMERCIAL CONCERN HERE HAS OPENED FOR BUSINESS

General Pablo Gonzales and Brother, Domingo Gonzales, Heavily Interested in New Banking House.

The Mexican-American Commercial Co., with a capital stock of \$200,000 and located in the Brannan building at the corner of Hidalgo street and Salinas Avenue, has opened its doors for the transaction of a general mercantile, banking and commission business in this country and Mexico. The quarters of the new concern are those recently purchased by General Pablo Gonzales, former chief of staff of the Carranza army, and his brother, Domingo Gonzales, former collector of customs of Nuevo Laredo, from George Brannan for a consideration of \$34,000.

Both General Gonzales and his brother are heavily interested in the Mexican-American Commercial Co., and while the name of General Pablo Gonzales does not appear in the list of officers or directors, Domingo Gonzales is the president, Emilio Garza Lozano is the vice-president and Jose Luis Patiño is the secretary. These three officers, with A. M. Bruni and L. J. Christen comprise the board of directors.

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BEETLE INSPECTOR.

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—American Samoa's beetle-inspecting chief of police is out of jail and the judge who has seven other jobs is again holding court, according to advices from Tutuila. This change back to normal followed a naval inquiry resulted in dissipating an attempt by a naval officer and a former newspaper reporter to control the naval administration of the American possession in the south seas.

In furtherance of this attempt the naval officer, Creed H. Boucher, lieutenant commander, and the ex-reporter, Arthur A. Greene, enlisted the support of Commander A. C. Kail, second in rank to Commander Warren J. Terhune, governor of the island. The three filed charges against Terhune and his administration and finally Kail tried to send a wireless message to the navy department at Washington branding his superior as insane.

With the message in front of him Terhune, suffering from ill health, committed suicide. The pitiful part of this tragedy developed when the naval court of inquiry, already en route to Tutuila from Hawaii, absolved Terhune's administration of all charges, recommended the deportation of Greene, the court martial of Boucher and the removal of Kail from his post.

Among the charges filed against Terhune's administration was one that officials were drawing illegal extra salaries. J. Hurkin Mallo, native chief of police, and Judge A. M. Noble were especial targets of Boucher, Greene and Kail.

After Commander Terhune shot himself Kail became acting governor and he jailed Mallo on charges that the chief of police had urged the natives to oppose the activities of Greene and Kail. Previously Boucher had alleged that irregularities of the Terhune administration included paying Mallo as "beetle inspector" as well as head of the police force, but that no beetles were inspected.

Judge Noble, who besides being district judge was secretary to the commandant, registrar of titles, secretary of native affairs, judge of the probate court, superintendent of education, associate member of the high court and vice president of the American bank of Samoa, was charged by Boucher and Green with being instrumental in alleged misuse of funds and authority. Kail closed Noble's court when the former became acting governor.

Other charges before the naval inquiry included the following:

That the Terhune administration was a close corporation and that many of its acts were illegal.

That the governor was physically unable to perform his duties.

That civil and naval officials of the administration were inefficient and that some were immoral.

That there were gross irregularities in handling funds.

That the administration made American Samoa the laughing stock of the South Seas and of the United States navy.

The board of inquiry sat for eight days. Testimony revealed that Boucher for twenty-five of his eighty-five days service, was under suspension on three charges—carrying a pistol, attempting a mutiny and falsehood—Boucher's examination revealed that he posed as a secret service man without authority; publicly criticised the Secretary of the Navy and the President; insubordinately communicated with authorities at Washington in violation of regulations, and committed many other breaches of naval regulations.

Upon examination he declined to answer many questions on the ground that the answer would incriminate himself. He acknowledged that all charges he made were based upon hearsay and without investigation. It was revealed that documents were stolen from naval officers but an attempt to introduce these by Greene, who acted as Boucher's counsel was overruled by the board.

The testimony revealed also that Greene and Boucher created unrest among the natives in an effort to change the government and assume control for themselves. Their activities resulted in organization of natives into a "committee," which forwarded an appeal to President Wilson to remove Governor Terhune, and the native unrest was manifested by several fights with the American sailors.

DIDN'T RECOGNIZE IT.

By Associated Press.

Berlin Jan. 4.—The German newspapers publish a story from Prague saying a French general there stooped at salute while a band played "Die Wacht am Rhein." He is said to have thought it was the Czechoslovakian national air.

Accept No Substitutes for **Thedford's BLACK-DRAUGHT** Purely Vegetable **Liver Medicine** P. 9

Protecting the Young From Reptiles



Owing to the vast numbers of box constrictors, deadly scorpions and poisonous insects in central Borneo, the wild men there take extraordinary precautions to protect young children, according to Frederick Burlingham, the American explorer. There are no cradles there. Instead, the children are swaddled up so that they cannot fall and are hung up, as the photograph shows, on a rattan vine stretched from one tree to another.

ECONOMIC CROP YIELDS NECESSARY

CHEAPEST YIELDS ARE THE LARGEST YIELDS PER ACRE, SAYS SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL AUTHORITY

It Takes a Greater Amount of Crop Returns to Cover Production Cost Now; Therefore High Yields Per Acre Are Necessary if the Farmer Is to Obtain Profits



J. N. HARPER

had hurt the farmer more than any other class, and that on this account the farmer is entitled to every consideration within reason.

At such a time as this when the farmer is facing the problem of which crops to grow, and how much he can venture to spend in their production, Mr. Harper says, that he, as a farmer himself, knows that it is the most difficult situation of the kind he has ever confronted.

This is the way this agricultural authority figures out the proposition of profitable crop production in 1921:

"Grow enough food and feed crops to supply as far as possible the needs of the family, the tenants and livestock. Then pick out the kind of cash crops that seem to offer the best prospects.

"Cotton will always be one of the best cash crops that a Southern farmer can grow. No cotton farmer can afford to throw cotton aside altogether.

"But cotton should not be the only cash crop. It would only be another case of carrying all the eggs in one basket. It is better to go to market with more than one crop. Among these other crops are peanuts, legume hays, tobacco, sweet potatoes, sugar cane, sorghum, rice and perhaps other crops. In addition there should be a gradual adding, as means will allow, of more livestock, beginning with hogs preferably and taking on other animals as soon as possible.

"In facing the problem of profitable crop production for the year 1921, two facts must be considered. (1) Crop prices are low. (2) Crop producing expenses have not fallen correspondingly.

"The farmer must remember that when crop prices are low, it takes more of the crops to cover the production cost. This narrows the margin of profits. Therefore, if a farmer does not look well to keeping up his acre yields, there will be no margin left above the cost of production.

"Always, the most expensive yields are the low yields and the most remunerative are the high yields. If there are losses to be sustained, as was the case in 1920, the farmer who grew the greatest yields per acre lost least.

"A safe and sane policy that needs especial emphasis for 1921, is: 'Guard your profits with high acre yields.' This involves good preparation of the seed bed, the use of high producing seed, liberal fertilization and thorough cultivation. A neglect to employ any one of these to the proper extent may mean that the farmer will find himself poorer at the end of the season than at the beginning.

"Labor is the greatest item of cost in producing a crop yield. It must be used to the extent of thorough cultivation. Fertilizers are next in the list of cost items. Since high yields per acre are so essential in times of low prices of crops, and since fertilizers increase acre yields more than anything else, they cannot be reduced in 1921. In fact, it may be that they will have to be depended upon more than ever, to make acre yields that will be profitable.

"An investment in good seed is one of the best that a farmer can make at any time.

"In a word, this is a time for farm efficiency, faith and courage. These virtues exercised, the farmer will emerge from the post-war struggle victoriously."

CALCIUM ARSENATE TREATMENT

An idea of the benefit gained by application of the calcium arsenate treatment developed and recommended by the United States Department of Agriculture against the cotton-boll weevil is found in the experience of a large planter at Tallulah, La. With the exception of certain test plots, this man's entire acreage was dusted with calcium arsenate, the cost being \$9.20 an acre. He obtained an average yield of 1,215 pounds of seed cotton to the acre on the land surrounding the test plots, while these unpoisoned test plots averaged only 300 pounds, or about 25 per cent of the yield on the poisoned cotton. Thus his net profit from poisoning on these areas or sales made before declining prices of cotton was about \$120 an acre.

THE REASON WHY MEXICAN CONSULATE AT LAREDO WAS MADE CLASS 2 OFFICE

FIGURES GIVEN OUT BY MEXICAN CONSULATE HERE IN ANNUAL REPORT GIVES GOOD REASON FOR ACTION OF MEXICAN GOVERNMENT.

Several weeks ago The Times made the announcement that Consul General Arturo de Saracho had been officially advised while in Mexico City that the Mexican consulate general in this city would be raised to a Class Two office, second only to New York in importance, and surpassing such ports as El Paso, Nogales, Los Angeles and all other places where a Mexican consulate was maintained. There was a good reason for the elevation of the Mexican consulate to its place of such importance, and The Times herewith gives the reason, which should prove satisfactory to all concerned.

Any branch of a government is judged by the amount of business that it does in its particular line, and if Laredo's Mexican consulate transacted business of a greater volume than any other consulate except that of New York it is natural to suppose that the Laredo consulate would be placed in second place, where it belonged. And here is the reason: From the standpoint of immigration through the Mexican consulate in this city to Mexico, there were 555 foreigners (Americans and others) passing through here and securing visas during the month of December alone, or a total of 5,964 foreigners for the year 1920. During the month of December a total of 5,821 Mexicans

LOCAL NEWS

ALL TIRED OUT.

Hundreds More in Laredo in the Same Plight.

Tired all the time; Weary and worn out night and day; Back aches; head aches; Your kidneys are probably weakened.

You should help them at their work. Let one who knows tell you how. Mrs. Ed. Sanchez, 705 Rosario St., Laredo, says: "I was troubled with my kidneys and my back bothered me, sometime ago. I had sort of a dull pain in my kidneys continually, and at times I was awfully dizzy and black specks would appear before my eyes. I felt tired and worn out and had no ambition to do anything. My kidneys didn't act right, either. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills, and on using one box, I was cured. I haven't been troubled since."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Sanchez had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notice to Auto Drivers.

The new ordinance governing automobile parking in the city becomes effective on next Sunday, January 9, 1921, and this is to inform the public that the same will be strictly enforced and I ask your co-operation to the end that the traffic police will not be forced to make arrests in order to make it effective. Leniency will be shown those who do not intentionally violate the new regulations until they become accustomed to it, but again I repeat the ordinance will be strictly enforced.

M. BRENNAN, City Marshal.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning January 1, 1921, I will begin the delivery of milk from my dairy and wish to notify the public that I am prepared to take care of them and would appreciate their patronage.

M. A. HARPER. 12-29-20.

Card of Thanks.

We will ever remember with heartfelt gratitude the kindness and sympathy of our friends during the illness of our grandmother, Mrs. L. A. Cohen. To those who assisted at the funeral by their presence and floral offerings we express our thanks and appreciation.

Lilla May and W. C. Beaman.

Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get rid of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent.

A Card of Thanks.

To the many kind friends who came to our assistance in the death of our grandson, son and brother, Hubert Pereira, and who rendered every assistance during the funeral and sent floral tributes, we desire to return our heartfelt thanks and to assure them their many kindnesses will never be forgotten.

The Family.

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PROBE FINANCES.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 5.—The great financial institutions of New York state—banking and insurance companies—are about to be given searching inquiry by the joint legislative committee investigating the "building trust," which will soon begin an extended probe of the loan market.

This committee, which has startled the nation with its amazing revelations regarding labor union graft and building materials "rings," Samuel Untermyer, its counsel, has announced will now seek to prove that the banks and saving banks have funds available to invest in mortgages and thus aid a building boom.

Mr. Untermyer has stated that he is prepared to show these money lending institutions that they will be better off by furnishing money for housing. Through publicity, he adds, he hopes to break down the present alleged "bonus" system of loans and high interest rates.

Without mortgage money building operations cannot be resumed on a scale wide enough to provide 125,000 homes now needed in New York, the committee's counsel stated.

Already, according to Mr. Untermyer, the great industrial and financial interests of New York are carrying on an "insidious campaign through hired propagandists" to defeat the contemplated work of the committee in investigating the loan market.

Testimony purporting to show that combinations of building material men and grafting labor chiefs have robbed the public of millions of dollars has already been heard by the committee.

Despite alleged political and financial opposition the committee continues to plunge ahead with its work and is unraveling facts that are attracting nation-wide attention.

Three grand juries are diligently at work grinding out indictments on evidence furnished by the committee, but they are so far behind in their work that an additional panel is to be drawn.

More than 120 indictments have been returned against builders, material dealers and labor leaders, charging extortion, perjury, violation of the state anti-trust law, destruction of records, grand larceny and contempt of the legislature.

One of the first results of the inquiry which began October 20, last, was the disbanding of the Cnt Stone Contractors' Association and the Masons' Supply Bureau—organizations of employers admittedly operating in restraint of open competition. Twenty-nine indicted stone contractors pleaded guilty to violation of the anti-trust act and were fined \$5,000 each, when they turned states' evidence.

The contractors' "rings" in the limestone, marble, plumbing, metal lathing, fireproofing and wrought pipe, heating and ventilating and fire extinguisher industry, which are alleged to have held up builders for millions of dollars, have collapsed.

John T. Hettrick, lawyer, and alleged promoter of several of the "rings," is under indictment for violation of the state anti-trust acts, and is held in \$100,000 bail. He is alleged to have devised the "code of practice" under which bids were matched and prices boosted by collective action.

Fifty-two members of the Master Plumbers' Association are among the most recent members of the alleged building trust to be indicted for violating the state anti-trust act, and are held in \$5,000 bail each. Sixteen members of the Employing Metallic Furring and Lathing Association are held for destroying evidence, which they admit they had desired to keep out of the hands of the committee.

Three wealthy business men are under indictment for contempt. They are John A. Philbrick, millionaire head of the Builders' Supply Bureau, and Joseph Penny, treasurer of the bureau; and Wright D. Goss, the "brick king," who was actively interested in the Association of Dealers in Masons' Building Supplies. Goss is also indicted for acting in restraint of trade.

Indictments are expected soon in the cement, brick, sand, lath and plaster, and marble combinations—which are alleged to have had a throttle hold on New York since 1916 and to have sent prices up from 100 to 200 per cent.

Robert P. Brindell, president of the Building Trades Council, held under \$100,000 bail on indictments charging extortion and attempted extortion from builders, is scheduled to go on trial early in January, his prosecution to be conducted by Mr. Untermyer. Several of Brindell's aids are also held for the alleged extortion of graft from contractors.

George S. Backer, millionaire builder, held on a charge of perjury, will go on trial soon for the second time. The jury in his first case failing to agree. Backer is alleged to have given false testimony regarding a \$25,000 bribe to agents of Brindell.

Many of the alleged conspirators in the "building trust," many of them multi-millionaires, have fled to points outside of the state, where they are safe from the interference of the committee.

As a result of the investigation the city has rescinded more than \$1,000,000 worth of contracts on its new courthouse and is investigating \$63,000,000 worth of other city public

work contracts for evidence of collusive bidding.

One of the most sensational developments of the inquiry was testimony regarding alleged methods employed by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corporation, and other manufacturers of fabricated steel; to force their open shop policy upon the builders of the country by refusing them structural steel unless it was to be erected by non-union men.

Several days were taken by the committee in investigating the activities of the National Erectors' Association, which under the direction of its counsel, Walter Drew, is conducting an "open shop" movement. Testimony purporting to show that the National Erectors' Association and the Steel Corporation worked hand in hand and had an extensive "union spy system" was heard by the committee.

One of the sensations of the inquiry was the questioning of Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, by Mr. Untermyer, who is one of the largest individual stockholders in the Corporation. Mr. Grace frankly declared that his concern would sell no structural steel for use in New York or Philadelphia unless it was erected under the "open shop" plan.

While admitting that his concern joined with other manufacturers in joint action for the betterment of the trade, the steel magnate declared that he would not tolerate any union of employees for collective bargaining.

Testimony purporting to show a combination of wrought iron and steel pipe men has also been heard by the committee.

Inquiry has also been started into the activities of the Marble Industry Employers' Association and the National Association of Marble Employers, which Mr. Untermyer declares is one of the tightest combinations in the country.

When the committee has completed its investigation, Mr. Untermyer will write a report on which remedial legislation may be based and prepare a measure which to aid in relieving the housing shortage in this city.

The committee and Mr. Untermyer are aided by a staff of forty experienced prosecutors, investigators, actuaries and process servers.

STOP ITCHING SKIN

Zemo, the Clean, Antiseptic Liquid, Gives Prompt Relief

There is one safe, dependable treatment that relieves itching torture and that cleanses and soothes the skin. Ask any druggist for a 35c or \$1 bottle of Zemo and apply it as directed. Soon you will find that irritations, pimples, blackheads, eczema, blotches, ringworm and similar skin troubles will disappear. Zemo, the penetrating, satisfying liquid, is all that is needed, for it banishes most skin eruptions, makes the skin soft, smooth and healthy.

The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned citizens of Webb County State of Texas to all persons interested, that the undersigned, who are the owners of some parts of the lands hereinafter described will make application to the 37th Legislature of Texas which meets at Austin, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January A. D. 1921 for the passage of a special law by said 37th Legislature, confirming the following grants made by the Crown of Spain, to the hereinafter named grantees of the following porciones of land now lying and being situated in the County of Webb State of Texas to wit:

Porcion	Original Grantee
No 29	Juan Baptista Villareal
30	Jose Francisco Cordova Moreno.
31	Jose Treviño
33	Jose Dionicio Treviño
34	Jose Antonio Diaz
36	Laureano Salinas
37	Jose Bartolo Chapa
38	Toledo Sanchez
39	Jose Antonio Nasario
47	City of Laredo
48	City of Laredo
51	City of Laredo
53	Leonardo Sanchez
57	Jose Maria de la Garza
58	Manuel Garza.

and authorizing and requiring the Commissioner of Texas, to issue patents to the respective Original Grantees of each respective portion, describing same by the metes and bounds as per field notes on file in the Archives of the General Land Office of Texas.

Mrs W. P. May,
Mrs J. A. May,
Mrs M. A. Elstetter,
A. M. Brund,
S. V. Edwards,
M. A. Hirsch,
S. N. Johnson,
Mrs Dario Sanchez
H. Ligarde
B. A. Pugh,
Mrs Addie Gridley,
A. H. Camp
Mrs J. M. Burr
T. C. Mann.

TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$



SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

The Parish Guild will meet at the Rectory at 3:30 o'clock. Mrs. L. Daiches will entertain the Wednesday Auction Bridge Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday.

Mrs. Agnes Huberich will entertain the Married Ladies Social Club at 8 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Norwood Witting will entertain the Thursday Bridge Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

General Mention.

Mrs. Douglas Patton of Nacogdoches returned home on Sunday after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Patton.

Miss Evelyn Moore and brother, James, left Monday for Austin to re-enter the University.

Misses Annie and Frances Alexander, accompanied by Mr. Ike Alexander, Mrs. Sam Meyer and son, and Miss Caroline Meyer, arrived in the city yesterday morning from Rochester, New York.

Philip Moore left on Monday for Staunton, Virginia, to re-enter the Staunton Military Academy.

James and Tom Devine returned to La Porte, Texas, on Monday to re-enter school after spending the holidays at home with their parents.

Mr. B. H. Burr expects to return to Monterrey, Mexico, this week after spending the holidays in the city.

Miss Eva Scratchley left today for Dallas after spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Stout and baby, who were here, the guests of their mother, Mrs. R. Salazar, left last night for their home in Ashland, Ky.

Announcement.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church has postponed the meeting of Thursday until next week.

Sunbeam Band.

The members of the Sunbeam Band held their regular weekly meeting yesterday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Fletcher Smith and Mrs. H. L. Guinn. After the devotional services a short business session was held and the remainder of the time was spent in working on the scrapbook. Those present at the meeting were: Truett and Lamar Smith, Margaret Bennett, Tommy and Bessie Mann, Charlie Knight, Violet Beaman, George and Mabel Beyette, Margaret Guinn, Mary and Eugene Thomas.

Junior Auxiliary.

The Junior Auxiliary met at the Rectory yesterday afternoon with Mrs. C. W. Cook and the time was devoted to finishing up the articles for the box which will be sent off about the middle of January. The regular service was held at 5 o'clock and was followed by the Bible story about the three gifts of the Wise Men. Then Mr. Cook read a most interesting story to the boys about "The Boy Hunters in Demerara, British Guinea." This is a serial story and is being very much enjoyed by the class. Those present were: Kathleen Aldridge, Elizabeth, Charline and Miles Nye, Anne McKinney, Joe Fasnacht, Jamie Ward, Leonard Ernst, Anita and Ethel Lane, George, Horace, Eleanor, Bobby and Jack Kehl, Jack and Alta Gracia Puster, Helen MacDonald, Evelyn Randolph, Ruby Colman, Nettie Bunn, Mary and Ralph Cook, Rev. and Mrs. Cook.

Endeavor Society.

Last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Weithley the Senior Endeavor of the Christian Church held a business meeting, in order to lay plans for the betterment of the society during the coming year. At a previous meeting it had been decided to study Parliamentary Law, and after calling the meeting to order, the president, Miss Amanda Beyette, turned the meeting over to Mr. Paul Hill, who proceeded to give a very interesting talk about the history and object of Parliamentary Law. He then outlined the principal rules, and the meeting was carried on in strict adherence to them. Three important problems of the Endeavor were discussed thoroughly. The question of adopting the "Budget System" of financing the society was brought up, and a committee of Miss Clarinda Edgland, Miss Margaret French and Mr. White was appointed to investigate it and report at the next meeting. It was decided that the society needed a corresponding secretary, and Miss England was elected. The question of a superintendent for the Junior Endeavor was brought before the society, and it was decided to let the matter pend until another meeting. The meeting was then adjourned and a social hour was enjoyed by all, during which delicious refresh-

ments were served by the hostess. —Contributed.

Entertainment.

One of the most pleasant affairs of the past week was the dancing party given by Mrs. J. A. Macdonald at the Woman's Club on Saturday evening complimenting the members of the Saturday Night Cotillion Class and a number of guests. The hall was attractively decorated in Christmas motif and the programs marked twenty straight and two extra dances. During the intermission delicious chicken sandwiches and hot chocolate were served. Mrs. Macdonald was assisted by Mesdames Flora Dilgarde Anderson, R. L. Puster, Sorrell, Wright and Allan Stowers.

The following clipping from the San Antonio Express of yesterday will be of much interest to a number of Laredo friends. Mr. and Mrs. Elstetter arrived in the city yesterday and will leave today for Mexico City on their bridal trip. Mr. Elstetter has a host of friends in the city that join in extending to him and his fair bride heartfelt wishes for a bright and prosperous future.

One of the interesting marriages of last evening was that of Leo Anthony Elstetter of Tampico, Mexico, and Miss Elizabeth Lee Woods, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cortlandt B. Woods of this city and Mexico, the ceremony having taken place at St. Mary's Catholic Church, with Rev. J. J. Whalen, assistant rector, performing the ceremony. The impressive double ring ceremony was used.

A beautiful musical program was given by Prof. J. M. Steinfeldt at the organ and Julian Paul Blitz playing the cello. For the processional the bridal chorus from Lohengrin was played and during the ceremony, Mr. Blitz played. The three sisters of the bride acted as attendants, while the bridegroom was attended by his three brothers.

Frank and Patrick Elstetter leading the way for the bride party, were followed by Miss Cortie Woods, the maid of honor, and in turn, came Miss McAfee Woods and Miss Panchita Woods.

The three young ladies were charming in pompadour silks in pastel shades, flounced in Bruges lace, pink silk tulle hats, silver slippers. The maid of honor carried an arm bouquet of pink carnations, while the two bridesmaids carried bouquets of pink sweet peas.

The bride entered with her father and was met at the chancel by the bridegroom and his best man, Henry Elstetter.

During the ceremony Mr. Steinfeldt and Mr. Blitz played lovely selections from the Steinfeldt compositions.

William Woods, brother of the bride, acted as master of ceremonies. The bride was charming in a gown of heavy white charmeuse. The skirt was in panel effect of Bruges lace, outlined in antique lace of the same variety.

The bridal veil of exquisite rose-point lace, lent an added charm to the bridal array, being an heirloom which has been worn by eight brides on similar occasions. The bride carried a shower bouquet of white carnations. White satin slippers gave the desired finish.

The chancel was decorated in scores of palms and ferns, and white narcissus and white roses gave an exquisite finish.

Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Woods entertained with an informal reception in the home of their friend, Mrs. P. H. Swearingen, in Crofton Avenue.

The home was decorated with ferns, palms and waxen ivy from the conservatory. The drawing-room was in white and pink roses. In here, Mr. and Mrs. Woods, with the bride and bridegroom, received the friends, who called to extend their congratulations.

The dining-room was a profusion of pink and white roses, the center piece on the table being bride's cake, which was in ring shape, embossed in white and pink roses, and surrounded by billows of pink tulle. The cake was cut by Mrs. Leo Brewer. Mrs. Patrick Swearingen served coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Elstetter left soon after the ceremony for Cuernavaca, Mexico, where they will spend the month of January, in the old home of the bride. The bride wore a three-piece traveling suit of brown velour de Laine heavily trimmed in fur of the same shade; the hat was of the same shade, fashioned in Madrid. Brown boots of the same shade were worn. After the honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Elstetter will be at home in Tampico, after March 1.

Mrs. Woods wore a becoming gown of blue georgette heavily beaded in beads of the same shade.

Mrs. Swearingen wore a pretty gown of black charmeuse, veiled in a robe of crystal. Mrs. Brewer was in pink tulle over radium cloth.

POLISH MUNITIONS.

By Associated Press.

Warsaw, Jan. 5.—Poland's first munitions factory began operations near Warsaw recently. About 2,500 men and women are employed in the plant, which has been named "The Projectile."

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LORD MAYOR OF CORK CAME AS STOWAWAY FROM IRELAND TO AMERICA YESTERDAY

Chairman of Commission Said He Was Not Asked to Appear, but Mayor Declared Editor of Nation Asked Him to Come--Is Being Held by Immigration Authorities Pending Decision Soon.

WHISKEY RAIDS ARE BRINGING RESULTS

SIXTY-FIVE CASES FOR GRAND JURY AS RESULT OF THE HOLIDAY RAIDS.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 5.—Federal prohibition enforcement officers of this district who returned today from raids in the oil fields report the capture of a 100-gallon still in a ravine near Strawn and confiscation of twenty barrels of mash. As a result of holiday raids, 65 cases involving violations of the prohibition amendment will be presented to the federal grand jury at Abilene January 17.

NEW TARIFF BILL IS UNDER PREPARATION

FORDNEY SAYS ALL INTERESTS WILL BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT VIEWS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Plans for the introduction of a new Republican tariff bill soon after convening an extra session of congress which President-elect Harding expects to call in March were announced today by Chairman Fordney of the house ways and means committee. Mr. Fordney said he proposed to continue hearings on the tariff question with only brief interruptions until all interests had been given an opportunity to lay their views before the committee.

Discussed Disarmament.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Another discussion of world naval disarmament was had before the senate foreign relations committee today without result. The committee adjourned subject to call of the chairman, expected within a few days.

ROTARIANS HELD MEETING HAD THREE INVITED GUESTS

Dr. Halsell Resigned as Member on Account of Inability to Attend; Routine Matters Considered.

President F. A. Matthes presided over the weekly meeting-luncheon of the Laredo Rotary Club at the Hamilton Cafe today, and the guests present were Captain W. M. Ryan of this city, Henry Dingfelder of New York City and J. N. Houston of Austin. On account of pressing business interfering with his attendance at meetings and not caring to deprive somebody else of the pleasures offered by his classification, Dr. J. T. Halsell resigned as a member of the club, and same was accepted with reluctance.

Routine business was transacted and it was decided to send two delegates from the Laredo Rotary Club to the State Convention of Rotarians to be held in Paris, Texas, March 28, and these delegates will be named later. The chair announced today that in future each member will be called upon to speak on matters pertaining to his classification. Today Robert L. Bobbitt was the first called upon "under the rule" and he gave a digest of Blackstone applied to humanity and society, and he received liberal applause, for he handled the subject with kid gloves in a Portia-like manner. A short talk was also made by Mr. Houston, one of the guests. The adopted daughter of the club, Mrs. Travis Bruce Bunn, favored the meeting with a solo and then there was a choral singing of the new 1921 choral songs.

A telegram was received from Monterey today stating that the first session of the legislature elected in October was held today. Of the fifteen deputies, nine were of the Independent party, which supports Governor Juan M. Garcia, elected in October, and whose incumbency was disputed by the opposing candidate, indicating that Mr. Garcia will be acknowledged by the legislature as the legal incumbent.

To Cure a Sore Throat. Take equal parts of water and of Fidelity Sore Throat Medicine and gargle the throat. The soreness disappears almost like magic. When it's Fidelity Quality you're sure it's pure. Sold and recommended by all druggists and in Laredo by City Drug Co.

Supreme Court of United States upheld the right of Congress to limit to one half per cent the alcoholic content of beer and liquor.

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By Associated Press.

Newport News, Va., Jan. 5.—Daniel O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, who arrived yesterday as a stowaway on the American steamer West Cannon in company with Peter MacSwiney, brother of the late Terence MacSwiney, declared today that the editor of the New York Nation had invited him to testify before the commission of the Committee of One Hundred at Washington investigating the Irish situation. The statement was an answer to that of Frederick Howe, chairman of the commission, who said last night that the lord mayor had not been asked to appear before the commission. Immigration Inspector Parker, in charge of this port, says he is still awaiting word from Washington as to the admissibility of the Irish official.

Will be Held.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Daniel O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork who arrived at Newport News yesterday as a stowaway, will be held until the immigration authorities can determine whether he is admissible, it was said today at the department of labor.

A NOVEL REQUEST.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 5.—At the request of the interstate commerce commission, the Texas railroad commission today heard the application of Wichita Falls and Southern Railway for a certificate of convenience and necessity for extension of road from New Castle to Breckenridge. This is the first time such a request has been made of the Texas commission by the interstate commission.

MORE WORKERS IDLE THAN EVER BEFORE

SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL SITUATION SAYS NEARLY TWO AND A HALF MILLIONS IDLE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Two million three hundred and twenty-five thousand workers are out of employment in this country, according to a survey of the industrial situation made by Clint Houston for the current issue of "Labor," the official organ of the Plumb Plan League. Mr. Houston asserts his inquiry disclosed the greatest industrial slump since the money panic of 1907. Building trades lead the classification of industries, with 300,000 unemployed, the survey shows.

CALL FOR STATEMENTS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for statements of the condition of all national banks at the close of business Wednesday, December 29.

State Banks Notified.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 5.—Commissioner of Insurance and Banking J. T. McMillin today issued a call to all state banks for statements of their condition at the close of business Wednesday, December 29.

HAS A MAJORITY.

A telegram was received from Monterey today stating that the first session of the legislature elected in October was held today. Of the fifteen deputies, nine were of the Independent party, which supports Governor Juan M. Garcia, elected in October, and whose incumbency was disputed by the opposing candidate, indicating that Mr. Garcia will be acknowledged by the legislature as the legal incumbent.

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Supreme Court of United States upheld the right of Congress to limit to one half per cent the alcoholic content of beer and liquor.

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CARDINAL GIBBONS IS STILL IMPROVED

CONGRATULATED COLBY ON SUCCESS OF HIS MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICAN NATIONS.

By Associated Press.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 5.—In reply to a cablegram of inquiry as to Cardinal Gibbons' condition from Secretary of State Colby, who is returning home from a special mission to South America, the cardinal's secretary, Rev. Albert Smith, sent the following cablegram today: "The cardinal spent a restful night and is improved this morning. The cardinal congratulates you on the result of your mission to South America."

PURCHASE OF COAL NOW INVESTIGATED

FACTS BEING SOUGHT REGARDING PURCHASE AT HIGH PRICE BY THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Facts regarding the purchase by the war department of thousands of tons of high-priced coal during the shortage last summer and fall were sought by the senate committee investigating the coal industry on resuming hearings today. The committee had called as a witness Col. James Barney, the officer of the quartermaster corps who is understood to have negotiated the coal purchases.

LIFE DESPAIRED OF.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 5.—Mrs. Dora Pettus Hobby, mother of Governor W. P. Hobby, who is critically ill at her home here, was still alive early today, although the physicians last night doubted if she would survive the night. All her children, including the governor, are at her bedside.

EDUCATORS TO MEET.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—According to advices received at the headquarters of the National Education Association in this city an attendance of nearly 10,000 of the leading educators of the United States will mark the forthcoming meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the association, to be held at Atlantic City at the end of next month. Both in the matter of attendance and the subjects to be considered the meeting promises to be the most important ever held by the department.

The meeting will give particular attention to the crisis in rural education. One session will be given over to a discussion of the probable future of education in the United States and the policies and programs needed to insure that future.

The general sessions will be presided over by Dr. Calvin N. Kendall, State Commissioner of Education for New Jersey. Featuring the program will be addresses by Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Ambassador in Washington; Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education; Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University; Dr. John H. Finley, late Commissioner of Education for the State of New York; Dr. Henry Van Dyke, of Princeton University, and Congressman H. M. Towner of Iowa, who introduced into the House of Representatives the bill to create a Federal Department of Education.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day: Tonight partly cloudy. Cooler southern portion.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Max. temp. 81 degs. Min. temp. 51 degs. General direction of wind: Southeast. Clear.

THE INTERESTS.

A significant statement was made by Chairman Fordney of the house ways and means committee in relation to the tariff hearings. He said the hearings would be continued with only brief interruptions "until all the interests had been given an opportunity to lay their views before the committee."

It appears from this that, while the interests are to be given an opportunity to offer their views, the people are to have no presentation of their side of the question.

The manufacturing interests, naturally, come first when a Republican tariff measure is to be framed. The old stand-bys of the party naturally expect to get value received for their contributions to the campaign fund and their work for the success of the ticket.

Then come the financial interests, who are so closely interwoven with the manufacturing interests, and after that the exporters and importers, who form no insignificant part of the interests. Then the agricultural interests will have their sayings, along with the stockraisers and wool growers. Last of all come the labor leaders and the men who live from the work of others.

But the consumer is not even considered in this matter. Nor, for that matter, are the middlemen, for it is understood that they will simply add the ordinary profit to the cost of the articles they deal in and pass the buck to the ultimate consumer.

The argument of the high tariff people is that the tariff is not added to the cost of home-produced goods, but that can be easily disproved, for as soon as the foreign product is taxed and prevented from competing with the home product, the latter is increased in price to almost as much as the imported article would cost with the duty added.

Some day the people are going to ask why they are deliberately left out of these hearings. They are not left out of the calculations of the tariff framers, for there is always considerable study as to how much of a load the camel will bear before adding that last and fatal straw. And if it is possible to stop before the straining point is reached, why is it not possible to stop when the profitable point is reached and passed?

The fallacious argument that the high tariff means the full dinner pail is answered by the result of the high wages that have recently obtained. When high wages will not buy any more than low wages, why burden the people and take from those who have nothing even that which they have?

The present probe into the coal industry is intended to throw dust in the people's eyes. It leads nowhere, except it should find that there was needless waste in purchasing supplies for the government. And even that is a partisan trick to show how pure the new administration will be when compared with the past one.

The sop thrown to the farmer in the way of "protecting" something which is rarely imported because of shortage elsewhere, and the fact that the "protection" of wheat and potatoes and beans is of no benefit to the farmer, but may be to the dealer, are two contradictory things which will deceive few.

The farmer buying "protected" farm machinery, implements, clothing, shoes, and other things, including automobiles—although we import so few of the latter—will not gain much through the protection of his own products, which are exported to the value of billions each year.

If the American wheat and potatoes and corn and livestock and dressed beef can be sold abroad at a profit, where does the protection to the American farmer come in? If American wool helps to clothe the Canadian, why put a duty on the imported Canadian wool?

There is no doubt that the "interests" will be given a full and exhaustive hearing. But the interests of the common people will be overlooked, just as they always have been.

LABOR AND THE SOVIET.

A novel and somewhat impudent attitude of some of the Mexican labor leaders is announced in Mexico City despatches. It is to the effect that the Pan-American Federation of Labor—a creature of the American Federation of Labor, having been formed in Laredo a little over two years ago by Samuel Gompers, other members of the executive council of the American Federation and a few delegates from Mexico and other Latin-American countries, with headquarters in Washington—is now opposed to admitting the representation of the American Federation on the ground that the latter is not "regular," not having been recognized by the third internationale of Moscow, of which the Pan-American federation is an adherent!

Is the first place, the Pan-American Federation of Labor, when organized, was exclusively an American organization. It had no connection with the soviet or any other European organization. It was for the Pan-American to recognize other organizations, especially those which were formed subsequent to its organization.

In the second place, the Pan-American Federation of Labor was not or-

ganized as a political organization, and there was nothing in its constitution which stamped it as socialistic, anarchistic or communistic. It was presumed to be purely a labor organization.

An effort was made at the Montreal convention of the American Federation of Labor to stampede it in the direction the soviet government was headed, but it failed. Failed because the majority of the workmen of America are opposed to mixing their labor and their politics, for one thing, and because they are sane and sensible and have no sympathy with the Red program.

Nothing more unfortunate could happen to the Mexican labor organizations than to align themselves on the side of the soviet. The program of the Russian radicals means disorder, the perpetuation of strife and warfare, the domination of the many by a few, and the absolute rejection of all orderly government.

Sooner or later this question will have to be settled in Mexico. The Mexican people are tired of warfare. They want to settle down to a period of peace and progress, of industry and security in the peaceful and undisturbed possession of what they earn.

The government of Mexico cannot afford to tamper with this question. It must serve notice on the radicals to stop their disturbing propaganda and refrain from dictating as to the policy of the government. There are but a few Mexicans who are in sympathy with the soviet movement, and these should be rounded up and disposed of.

Of course, the American Federation of Labor will not be affected in the slightest degree by the pronouncement of the Bolshevik labor leaders of Mexico. The Pan-American Federation is absolutely useless to itself and its adherents without the backing of the American Federation. And the attempt to read the American Federation out of the organization is very much like the tail trying to wag the dog.

The soviet adherents of the Pan-American Federation are purely parasitical in their nature. They are of no value to their own federation or to the soviet. What the soviet needs is members—real members who are willing to contribute, to fight if need be, and to go out and get other members. All the Mexican members of the third internationale seem capable of doing is to talk—and talk—and fizzle out.

It is doubtful if the Latin-American countries are as yet ready for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor. Their one idea of a labor organization is something that strikes, and there is no more solidarity between the various groups than there was between the various revolutionary organizations in the field.

But when they read the American labor leaders out of the organization, it is to laugh!

OPPOSE GERMAN DYES.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 6.—A plea for congressional action to restrict the importation of German dyes into the United States has been issued here by the American Chemical Society through Dr. Charles H. Herty, former president of the organization. Dr. Herty was appointed by President Wilson to negotiate for the American share of the German dyes impounded in France after the war.

The eminent chemist calls attention to the action of Great Britain in passing an act similar to the Longworth Bill, which was passed by the United States House of Representatives and held up in the Senate Committee on Finance.

Pointing out the similarity of the dye situation confronting Great Britain and the United States, Dr. Herty recalls that during the war poison gasses were made in German dye factories and adds "when our textiles, leather, paper and other industries were smarting under the experience of servility to a foreign nation for supplies of needed dyes and thought of the nation was clear as to the necessity of a complete self-sustained American dye industry."

Although the American makers of dyes have \$100,000,000 invested in factories and apparatus, prominent American chemists maintain that these manufacturers cannot withstand a German invasion without suitable legislation. They are, however, equipped to manufacture 85 per cent of the dyes required by American industries and would be able, according to the bulletin of American Chemical Society, to make the other 15 per cent if they had time to develop the special processes under favorable auspices.

The German dye trust, Dr. Herty declared, is shown by published reports to be stronger than ever, both in capital and in organization. More over, he continues, it has just made arrangements through the organization of a subsidiary company to enter the field for control of the world's supply of fixed nitrogen, the chief element in fertilizers, munitions and many dyes.

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11-13-14.

TAX REFORM.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 6.—Tax reform and new means of raising revenues will take first place for discussion in at least 15 state legislatures now to open, judged by reports from correspondents of The Associated Press forwarded here from many state capitals.

Retrenchment, budget plans and abolition of needless departments will be next in importance in 12 or more legislatures, with questions of public improvements, utility corporations and public welfare ranging in order close behind.

Dry law enforcement acts are contemplated in not less than five states—California, Connecticut, New York, Ohio and South Dakota—while anti-blue laws will be fought pro and con on the floors of the legislatures of New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Vermont.

Revision of state constitutions will be undertaken in the Pennsylvania assembly, which convenes tomorrow and in the Colorado and New Hampshire legislatures whose sessions open next Wednesday.

Soldier bonus bills come up for discussion or action in Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Montana.

Labor legislation, including in at least one instance the question of Industrial Courts, will be pushed in California, Connecticut and Iowa.

Public welfare bills have strong sponsors in Arkansas, Connecticut, Colorado, Delaware, New York, Texas, West Virginia, Wyoming and Oklahoma. California will take up the question of combatting radicalism.

Public improvements will be advocated in at least 11 states—California, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Texas, Vermont, West Virginia, North Dakota and Oklahoma. These include a \$750,000,000 irrigation project and a 5,500-mile public highway.

Programs of economy, involving the consolidation or abolition of state departments and budget systems will be considered, among many of the 40 states, notably by Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Ohio and Oklahoma.

Legislators of Wisconsin and Texas will wrestle with radical taxation measures. In Wisconsin, the legislature of which opens tomorrow, the State Division of Marketing has proposed a tax on unused land, in effect a single tax. The State Tax Commission has also recommended repeal of the personal property offset to the income tax as a means to raise all needed funds. The Texas legislature, which meets January 11, will consider the conservation of natural resources in connection with taxation reform. Other states that are to take up the question of tax reform are Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Missouri, New York, New Mexico, Ohio, Tennessee, Vermont, Montana and Oklahoma.

Repeal or revision of state primary laws are slated to occupy much of the time of the lawmakers of Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, New Mexico, North Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, and Wyoming.

Six state legislatures, at least, will have before them bills providing for a stricter regulation of automobiles and increased license fees, namely, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, Nevada, Montana and Oklahoma.

Four states, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, and Wisconsin, will discuss proposals for co-operation, marketing and aid for farmers and two legislatures, those of California and West Virginia, will have before them interesting "marital measures." In California, the Act of 1919, designed to place a wife on an equality with a husband in the ownership and disposition of community property, which was defeated, will again come before the lawmakers. West Virginia may make non-support of a wife by a husband an extraditable offense.

Measures correlated with suffrage will come up in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Nevada. Reorganization of state militia will be discussed in several states, including Delaware and four states expect to forward new public utility legislation, namely, Connecticut, Colorado, Maine and South Dakota.

Connecticut, Illinois and West Virginia will consider bills relating to sports and the establishment of state Boxing Commissions.

Dates for the convening of legislatures, other than those already given, are as follows: January 3—Rhode Island, Idaho, Montana, Tennessee and Ohio; January 4—Delaware, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Oklahoma; January 5—North Carolina, Illinois, Michigan, Maine, Vermont and Connecticut; January 6—Massachusetts, Indiana; January 9—New Jersey; January 10—Arizona, California, Oregon, Montana, Washington, Arkansas, Iowa; January 11—Kansas, New York, New Mexico and Wyoming; January 12—Wisconsin, West Virginia; January 15—South Carolina; January 17—Nevada; Georgia; February 16—Hawaii; February 17—Porto Rico; March 17—Alaska; April 5—Florida.

Bilious Headache.
When you have a severe headache, a disordered stomach and constipation, take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will correct the disorders of the liver and bowels, effectually curing the headache.

POOR GIRL, HER PLANS WENT AMISS IN THE VAMPING LINE

She Admitted Stealing Money and Buying Jewelry With It and Then Led Officers to Hiding Place.

The predilections of Fidela Flores were evidently aimed at becoming one of those vamps that fascinate weaker humans of the masculine sex, and her plans had progressed well and she had annexed a sufficient amount of the filthy lucre to start her work, but alas, the cruel officers took charge of poor Fidela and she is now in the county jail.

Fidela was employed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Careouls and had a good position. On December 24 the sum of \$130 was missing from the home and Fidela was suspected. She was arrested and later showed the officers where she had a package buried in the rear of the kitchen at the home. The package contained jewelry in which the woman had invested \$90, and the remainder of \$40 in cash was also in the package. Fidela was given an examining trial this morning before Justice of the Peace Atlee charged with theft of \$130 and bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$300, which she was unable to furnish and will continue to occupy apartments at the Hotel de Salinas.

Notice to Auto Drivers.

The new ordinance governing automobile parking in the city becomes effective on next Sunday, January 9, 1921, and this is to inform the public that the same will be strictly enforced and I ask your co-operation to the end that the traffic police will not be forced to make arrests in order to make it effective. Leniency will be shown those who do not intentionally violate the new regulations until they become accustomed to it, but again I repeat the ordinance will be strictly enforced.

M. BRENNAN,
City Marshal.

Arthur Hazelrigg Seriously Ill.
The many friends of Arthur Hazelrigg, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hazelrigg, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at the home of his parents on Market street in this city.

SPINACH LETTER

By M. H. Crockett

About December 5th Austin growers received numerous wires from Northern cities quoting spinach markets at \$1.50 to \$2.00 a basket.

Growers loaded 18 cars of fine quality and consigned, loading 3 or 4 cars daily. No returns have been received on five cars, but letters say they will not more than pay freight. Some returns show failure to pay freight.

Net result on these 18 cars will show actual loss of a little over \$5,000.00 on packing costs. Other Texas shipments on the average have not more than paid freight, growers losing packing cost and spinach.

There is about ten times as much spinach planted as there is any market for, and growers will save a lot of money by either selling for cash on the track or else not shipping. Cars loaded and consigned will be mostly thrown away and help to ruin any chance of sales, unless markets change materially.

About once or twice in ten years the Austin section freezes out for two or three weeks, and once in a long while the same thing happens at Norfolk. Lowest temperature at Norfolk this winter was 30 degrees on December 18th. If the two freezes should come together, growers farther South would be able to get fair prices for their crops, but otherwise I do not look for much markets.

Growers will find cost of packing 50 to 60 cents a basket and freight from Mercedes to New York is 83 cents a basket, including refrigeration and war tax; Austin and Laredo sections a little cheaper.

When conditions justify I buy crops in the field and send experienced men to pack them. Would like to hear from growers as to acreage, variety, distance from town, icing facilities, and basket supply, also when ready to cut.

Also buy in car lots already packed when markets justify.

M. H. CROCKETT,
Austin, Texas.

Boy Scouts, Attention!

All Scouts and Junior Scouts as well as Mascots are requested to attend Regular Meeting and Drill Friday night at 7:30 p. m. at Scout Headquarters. From now on meetings and drills will take place every Friday night and every member is expected to be present.

J. R. FASNAUGHT,
Scout Master Troop 7.

Constipation.

Constipation of the bowels is a stoppage of the sewerage system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the waste pipes of your home, be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

VISITOR FELL TO HIS DEATH ON MEXICAN SIDE OF RIVER

J. O. McDONOUGH OF TAYLOR WALKED OFF STEEP APPROACH

Fell Distance of More Than Fifty Feet, Breaking Both His Neck and Spine; Body Brought Here.

A fatal accident occurred this morning about 12:30 o'clock on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande where the old international footbridge approach abuts the river embankment and only the steel superstructure of the old bridge remains and there is no flooring on the bridge. From this point to the bottom of the embankment is a distance of about thirty-five feet, and from there to the bottom of the pit being excavated for the piers of the new bridge is an additional distance of about eighteen feet more. Over this edge J. O. McDonough, aged 50 years, who came to Laredo Sunday from Taylor, Texas, fell, breaking his neck and spine and meeting instant death.

According to the Mexican immigration guards on duty at the time the accident occurred, they saw a man pass along in front of the immigration station, but paid no attention to him at the time. A few moments later the man was missed, for instead of passing the passport quarters on the way to the new pontoon bridge, he suddenly disappeared. Search was instituted and the body was found at the bottom of the dark pit, face downward. United States Vice Consul E. B. Adams was immediately notified at his home in this city and he hastened to the Mexican side of the Rio Grande at 1 o'clock this morning and remained on the job of looking after the American victim of the accident until 2:30 this morning, when he turned him over to Undertaker Jackson of this city and the body was taken to the military hospital, where it was held until this morning, when the Mexican authorities permitted it being crossed to Laredo.

At the point where the accident occurred it is very dark and there are no boards or other guards there to stop anyone walking off the abutment. The victim of the unfortunate accident secured a pass here from the immigration department passport office on Monday to cross to the Mexican side and was endeavoring to return to the American side after closing hours of the bridge, as only those having night passes can cross back and forth over the Rio Grande after eleven o'clock at night.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN,
Secretary.
A. J. NEFF,
President.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.
Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 9:55 a. m.
Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christi at 3:35 p. m.

International & Great Northern.
Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:15 a. m. and arrives at 4:30 p. m.

Night Train.
Leaves at 10 p. m. and arrives at 7:30 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.
Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8:30 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.
Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 11 a. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

OPENING OF ATHLETIC CLUB HERE ON TOMORROW EVENING

Several Hundred Members Will Be on Hand to Witness One of the Best Boxing Cards Ever Held Here.

What promises to be one of the most interesting and largely attended sporting events ever held in Laredo will take place at the Lincoln Skating Rink tomorrow evening beginning at 8:30 o'clock, when a big card of boxing events will be pulled off by the newly-organized American Legion Athletic Club. The timekeeper for the events is Mr. Fisher, while the referees are P. Hermann of Baltimore, L. Peterman of Laredo and Captain Castle of Fort McIntosh, and these gentlemen are all qualified for the important places which they will occupy in this big sporting event.

Several hundred tickets have already been placed with those taking out memberships and more memberships are still being taken today. Anybody wanting to get a membership in the American Legion Athletic Club in time to witness the opening events of the card tomorrow night can secure same either from the secretary at the Soldiers Club or from the City Drug Co.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

Last Day of "The Devil's Passkey."
Von Stroheim's sensational production, "The Devil's Passkey," opened a two-days engagement at the Rialto Theater yesterday and at both the afternoon and night presentations of the play there were large audiences on hand to witness it. This is one of the most unusual pictures ever put on the screen and Parisian life is at its best, while a race track scene enlivens the picture and adds to the suspense. "The Devil's Passkey" is on the program again today. Go and see it and you will find it a worth while photodrama.

"The Toll Gate" at Strand.

Those who are familiar with the William S. Hart productions for Paramount Artcraft need scarcely be reminded that the photoplay of these photodramas is invariably excellent. But Joe August, A. S. C. the camera expert of the company, seems to have outdone himself in "The Toll Gate," the latest offering of the famous western star which is on view at the Strand Theatre tomorrow. Silhouettes, dawns, scenic shots of an underground river, views of sweeping valleys and craggy cliffs, intimate pictures that depict expressions graphically—indeed, a series of wonderful photographs, almost any of which, framed appropriately, would be a work of art—make up the cinematographic record of a drama that is powerful and compelling and breathlessly interesting.

At the Royal Friday-Saturday.
Bessie Barriscale, supported by an exceptionally well-assembled cast, is the star of "The Broken Gate," which opens at the Royal Theatre tomorrow for a two days' run. It was directed by Paul Scardon, the man responsible for "Milestones" and "Partners of the Night," and does him great credit. The story is adapted by Jack Cunningham from the widely-read novel of the same name by Emerson Hough. It tells an appealing story of a brave and self-denying little mother who guards her only son from the knowledge that he is nameless for twenty years and keeps a modest millinery shop which enables her to send him through college.

SHERIFF PRICE VISITS LAREDO.
Sheriff C. W. Price of Jim Wells county arrived here yesterday afternoon from Alice on a short business trip and left this morning on his return. Sheriff Price said his section of country is very dry at this time and rain is badly needed there for the big winter crops being raised in Jim Wells county.

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Inventor in Town.

Dr. T. T. Cater, the new dentist in Wilcox Bldg. has recently been granted a patent on an electric vulcanizer, a machine that all dentists use in making and repairing all kinds of rubber plates. This machine is not only an electric, but a kerosene likewise, as the same principal that governs the rheostat in the electric. Thereby being a double machine and one that stands alone, there is none other like it in the world. The doctor wants a man who has time and means to take this back East to Boston and Philadelphia to demonstrate for him, as he cannot take the time from his business just now. He will teach any one who will come to his office, so they will be thoroughly acquainted with it. He has used this machine at least a hundred times and knows that he really has a machine that stands alone and one that does the work better than the dentist can himself. It saves all the time in vulcanizing and comes as a great help to the busy dentist and they all are at times.

Notice to Hunters.
No hunting or fishing will be allowed in our pastures nor in our lakes. Please don't ask for permits. WORMSER BROS.
11-6-2m.

LOCAL NEWS

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Ernesto Herrera Garcia and Miss Eliza Barrera Garza.

—Mrs. T. A. Austin, will open a class for children, boys and girls from eight to twelve, in Music Appreciation. This class is to meet the needs of the child's mind during the sensory period of development, to give a cultural acquaintance with good music, to form mental habits of alertness, perception, concentration, imagination, and analysis. All those parents desiring to enroll their children, please communicate with Mrs. Austin, phone 2-1-7, for more definite information, terms, and time. 1-5-6t.

—The importations through this port from Mexico yesterday afternoon consisted of one carload of household effects and some smaller quantities of merchandise brought across the international footbridge.

—The kindergarten at the Villegas building will re-open on Monday, January 10. 1-3-6t.

—The Acme Laundry is a family laundry. We will be glad to get your work. O. Willhite, Manager, 2018 Turbide St. 12-29-12t.

—The cloudy, damp weather hangs on with a tenacity that indicates a big change in prospect. The sun came out for a time yesterday, but this morning was damp and foggy again.

—Public stenographer, Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-14.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-14.

—The civil case of Martiniano Garza vs. Francisco Martinez, suit for damages, which has been on trial in district court since Monday, is still before that tribunal, but may go to the jury by tomorrow afternoon.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigreed seed. Please write or full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—These damp, foggy mornings are great for the onion crops, but everybody hasn't got an onion crop and don't need these stuffy-like mornings, but prefer sunshine instead.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-14.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-14.

—The commanding officer of Fort McIntosh this morning surrendered to District Attorney Valls for trial by the civil authorities, Jesus Pedraza, one of the two members of the 9th U. S. Engineers, wanted on a felony charge.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-14.

SHERIFF PRICE VISITS LAREDO.

Sheriff C. W. Price of Jim Wells county arrived here yesterday afternoon from Alice on a short business trip and left this morning on his return. Sheriff Price said his section of country is very dry at this time and rain is badly needed there for the big winter crops being raised in Jim Wells county.

HAVE COLOR IN CHEEKS Be Better Looking—Take Olive Tablets

To have a clear, pink skin, bright eyes, no pimples, a feeling of buoyancy like childhood days, you must keep your body free from poisonous wastes. Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets (a vegetable compound mixed with olive oil) act on the liver and bowels like calomel—yet have no dangerous after effect. Take one nightly and note results. They start the bile and overcome constipation. That's why millions of boxes are sold annually.

15c and 30c. a box.

Inventor in Town.

Dr. T. T. Cater, the new dentist in Wilcox Bldg. has recently been granted a patent on an electric vulcanizer, a machine that all dentists use in making and repairing all kinds of rubber plates. This machine is not only an electric, but a kerosene likewise, as the same principal that governs the rheostat in the electric. Thereby being a double machine and one that stands alone, there is none other like it in the world. The doctor wants a man who has time and means to take this back East to Boston and Philadelphia to demonstrate for him, as he cannot take the time from his business just now. He will teach any one who will come to his office, so they will be thoroughly acquainted with it. He has used this machine at least a hundred times and knows that he really has a machine that stands alone and one that does the work better than the dentist can himself. It saves all the time in vulcanizing and comes as a great help to the busy dentist and they all are at times.

Notice to Hunters.
No hunting or fishing will be allowed in our pastures nor in our lakes. Please don't ask for permits. WORMSER BROS.
11-6-2m.

BOXING

AMERICAN LEGION ATHLETIC CLUB

AT SKATING RINK ON LINCOLN ST.

Friday Night at 8:30

MAIN BOUT

8 ROUNDS AT 135 LBS.

Young Weimer vs Battling Haddad

PRIDE OF BALTIMORE OF CLEVELAND

Preliminary--6 Rounds at 125 lbs.
Semi Final--6 Rounds at 147 lbs.
Curtain Raiser--4 Rounds at 112 lbs.

ASSESSMENTS WILL BE \$1.00 AND \$1.50 TO MEMBERS.

Get your Membership Cards at Soldiers Club 3 to 5 or 7 to 9 P. M. Daily.

CENTENARY OF CONFEDERATE CHIEFTAIN.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 7.—Tomorrow will be the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. James Longstreet, the "war horse of the Confederacy," and it is expected that the centenary will be widely observed by historical societies and organizations of Confederate veterans throughout the South. The famous Confederate commander made his home at Gainesville, Ga., where his death occurred in 1904, and where his grave will be decorated tomorrow with the floral offerings of those who followed him in battle for "the lost cause."

Gen. Longstreet was one of the last survivors among the great commanders of the civil war, and was known as one of the hardest fighters in the Confederate service. He was born in the Edgefield district of South Carolina Jan. 8, 1821. When ten years of age he removed to Alabama with his mother, and seven years later, in 1838, received an appointment to the West Point Military Academy. In the Mexican war, as a lieutenant of infantry, he took part in the battles of Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Monterrey, the siege of Vera Cruz, Cerro Gordo, San Antonio, Churubusco, and Molino del Rey. For the manner in which he conducted himself in these two last battles he was brevetted captain and major.

At the commencement of the civil war he resigned from the service of the United States to accept a commission as brigadier-general in the Confederate army. His first battle was at Bull Run. He commanded a brigade on the right of the Confederate line, and with this succeeded in holding back a large force of the Union troops which sought to support McDowell in his flank attack on the Confederates. After fighting through several minor battles he took part in the seven days' conflict around Richmond and the second battle of Bull Run, where he came to the relief of Jackson and by a determined flank attack decided the fortunes of that bloody day.

Longstreet commanded the Confederate left wing at Fredericksburg. At Gettysburg he commanded the right wing. Here a difference of opinion developed between him and Gen. Lee which held them estranged for several years afterward. Gen. Longstreet tried to dissuade Lee from ordering the disastrous charge on the third day, and he always maintained that if he had his way the battle of Gettysburg would have been a victory for the Confederacy.

After the return of the army to Northern Virginia, south of the Potomac, Gen. Longstreet was ordered to join the Army of the Tennessee under Gen. Bragg. At the battle of Chickamauga it was Longstreet who led the famous assault on Snodgrass Hill.

Early in 1864 he was back with Lee in Virginia, and in the battle of the Wilderness was severely wounded. In the closing days of the struggle he commanded the first corps of Lee's army, and was included in the surrender at Appomattox.

Gen. Longstreet was known in the army as "Old Pete." He had the unbounded confidence of his troops, who were devoted to him, and would follow him anywhere.

After the war Gen. Longstreet established a business in New Orleans. In 1877 he became United States Collector of Internal Revenue for Georgia and Florida. From 1879 to 1880 he was postmaster at Gainesville, Ga., a position subsequently held for many years by his widow. In 1880 he was appointed United States Minister to Turkey, where he remained for a year, and from 1881 to 1884 was United States Marshal of Georgia. In 1898 he was appointed by President McKinley as United States Railroad Commissioner, and thereafter he resided for the most of the time in Washington.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

Today is Christmas in the Greek Church.

Centenary of the birth of Gen. Lucius J. Gartrell, Georgia congressman and Confederate commander.

Governor Warren T. McCray and others elected to State office in Indiana last November will be inaugurated today.

Henry Wallace, said to be slated for Secretary of Agriculture in the next cabinet, is to address the meeting of the Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation at Lincoln today.

A meeting of stockholders is to be held at New Orleans today to complete the organization of a \$10,000,000 international banking corporation to finance the South's foreign trade in staple products.

The New England Conference of the Industrial Relations Association of America is to meet today in Springfield, Mass., for the purpose of formulating policies to be adopted generally by manufacturing interests in their relations with their employees.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

British raided Sinn Fein headquarters and offices of the "Irish Parliament" in Dublin, but only one arrest was made.

LOCAL NEWS

—If you want a skirt pieated go to the Paramount Tailoring Co. east side Jarvis Plaza. 1-7-3t.

—The importations through the port of Laredo from Mexico yesterday consisted of one carload of dried blood.

—Mrs. T. A. Austin, will open a class for children, boys and girls from eight to twelve, in Music Appreciation. This class is to meet the needs of the child's mind during the sensory period of development, to give a cultural acquaintance with good music, to form mental habits of alertness, perception, concentration, imagination, and analysis. All those parents desiring to enroll their children, please communicate with Mrs. Austin, phone 2-1-7, for more definite information, terms, and time. 1-5-6t.

—The big guns of the American Federation of Labor are in Laredo today on their way to Mexico City to attend the second convention of the Pan-American Federation of Labor. This organization was perfected in Laredo at a meeting held here two years ago.

—The kindergarten at the Villegas building will re-open on Monday, January 10. 1-3-6t.

—The Acme Laundry is a family laundry. We will be glad to get your work. O. Willhite, Manager, 2018 Turbide St. 12-29-12t.

—There is a big boxing card, the first of the newly-organized American Legion Athletic Club, at the Lincoln Skating Rink this evening beginning at 8:30 o'clock. From the number of members enrolled to see the card there will be several hundred on hand tonight.

—Public stenographer, Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-12t.

—The influx of Mexican laborers from various portions of the country en route to their former homes in Mexico during the winter still continues heavy through the port of Laredo. As shown by the consular report published in The Times a few days ago nearly 48,000 of these laborers entered Mexico through the port of Laredo during the year 1920.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigree seed. Please write or full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-tf.

—The big mains for the sewerage system are strung along for quite a distance west on Matamoros street and the work of digging the trench and putting down the mains is progressing as fast as could be expected.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—The many friends of Arthur Hazenrigg will be pleased to learn that he is much improved today.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 7.

Samuel Untermyer, who is to be chief counsel in the prosecution of the men indicted for alleged extortion and other violations of the law in connection with the building combination in New York, is of a Virginian Jewish family, who grew up in New York City, was educated at the College of the City of New York and at Columbia University, and settled down to practise law in the metropolis, a choice that has brought him wealth and a national reputation for acumen, and has induced interest in civic as well as in legal and financial problems. As a lawyer he has served clients that have had anti-social aims, and consequences, and at the same time as a man and citizen he has often championed movements looking to the public welfare. In his technical knowledge of finance, law, and the inner workings of big corporations he has few peers, and consequently he is well qualified to handle the important cases in which he has now been retained.

COUNT NOW EDITOR.

By Associated Press.

Budapest, Jan. 7.—Count Albert Apponyi, former premier, who signed the peace treaty, has suffered with others in the misfortunes of his country and to relieve the narrow income upon which his family must live, he has taken employment as an editorial writer on a Magyar newspaper. He is said to receive a salary of 1,000,000 crowns yearly for two editorials a week. At the present rate of exchange, 1,000,000 crowns are equivalent to about \$2,000.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 60c. per month.

SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

The Friday Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Norwood Witting at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday.

The Saturday Night Cotillion Club will meet at the Woman's Club at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

There will be a dance at the Soldiers Club in the evening.

General Mention.

Mr. Manuel Mora, after a pleasant visit to friends in Laredo, has returned to his home in San Antonio.

Miss Lucille Nunnally, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. D. Butler, for the past two weeks, expects to return to her home in San Antonio on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Appleby and daughters of Salfitro were in the city this week en route to San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Denike returned yesterday from Corpus Christi.

Mr. Walter B. Taylor of Los Angeles, California, is in the city for a short visit. Mr. Taylor is an old time Laredote, but has been away a great many years. He has been quite busy since his arrival shaking hands with his many old time friends. He is a guest at the home of his brother, Mr. Lott Taylor.

Entertainment.

Mrs. Lyla Perkin entertained the choir of the Christian Church most delightfully on Monday evening, and a very pleasant time was spent. Several violin selections were played by Miss Guajardo, accompanied by Miss Hennington of the Seminary. Miss Celeste Hamilton gave interesting readings and a singing by the crowd was enjoyed. Delicious sandwiches, chocolate and cakes were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Keithley, Dr. and Mrs. Hiatt, Mrs. Boord, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Skinner, Miss Guajardo, Miss Hennington, Miss Kuller, Miss Amanda Beyette, Miss Ruth White, Sergts. Thomas and Hafsnor.

Thursday Bridge Club.

The Thursday Bridge Club was delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Norwood Witting. The rooms were attractively decorated in cut flowers and ferns. In the series of games of bridge played the club prize went to Mrs. A. Wormser and the guest prize to Mrs. Paulus each receiving a hand-embroidered towel. A delicious two-course luncheon was served after the games. Those enjoying the pleasure of the occasion were: Club members—Mesdames M. Wormser, A. Wormser, Joseph, Wilson, Joe Moser, A. E. Derby, O'Meara, Lafon and Vidales, and Misses Mowry, Lucille Murphy and Esther Hirsch; guests—Mesdames Morrow, Watson, Sauvignot, S. Denike, Paulus.

Married Ladies Club.

The members of the Married Ladies Social Club and a number of guests were most delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. A. Huberich. The rooms were prettily decorated for the occasion, pink roses and ferns in the living room, pink and white roses in the reception hall and pink chrysanthemums in the dining room. In the games played the prizes were awarded as follows: Club, an embroidered tray cloth and six doilies with crocheted edge, to Mrs. L. J. Christen; guest, a card table cover and a set of Congress cards, to Mrs. L. Daiches; low score, an embroidered handkerchief, to Mrs. Asher Smith. The hostess served a daintily appointed two-course luncheon at the conclusion of the games. Those enjoying the gracious hospitality of the afternoon were: Club members—Mesdames Christen, Cogley, Derby, Deutz, Hall, Halsell, Johnston, MacDonald, MacGregor, Vidales, Young, Younkun and Weber; guests—Mesdames Miller, Bobbitt, A. C. Hamilton, Asher Smith, J. S. Penn, Charles Richter, J. P. Leyendecker, L. Daiches, Shelby and Turner, and Miss Flossie Deutz.

Men's Brotherhood.

The Men's Brotherhood, composed of the members of the Church and congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Laredo, held a reception last night, at 7:30 in the Annex of the church, for the purpose of welcoming the newly-elected officers of the church, who are as follows: Elder, Dr. H. M. Austin; Deacons, Dr. A. E. McCulloch, Sgts. John S. Toppins, of Fort McIntosh, and E. G. Hagadone.

The Ladies Aid of the Church prepared and served a most delightful supper, which was enjoyed by about 35 persons. There were short addresses by Frank A. Lattig, president of the Brotherhood; the secretary, George F. Teunisson, J. S. Westbrook, Robert H. Bobbitt, all of the newly-elected officers and the pastor, Rev. L. H. Wharton.

Mr. Wray, missionary to Mexico, was present, and gave a most interest-

ing talk with reference to his work in that country. F. A. Matthes and Dr. G. S. Hiatt delivered most interesting and helpful talks, and Dr. Hiatt in the singing.

The Men's Brotherhood of the First Presbyterian Church of Laredo is one of the strongest in this section of the State, and the Pastor states that he receives numerous inquiries and requests from other Churches with reference to establishing such an organization at other places.

All those present had a most enjoyable time.

ARGENTINE ROWING.

By Associated Press.

Buenos Aires, Jan. 7.—England has its Thames and America its Hudson and its Schuylkill where brawny armed youths have made historic the sport of rowing. Argentina in the same way has its Lujan, a winding-flowing inlet of the River Plate, but with a straightaway stretch of nearly two miles, ideal for rowing races.

Here is held annually, opposite the summer resort of Tigro, the Argentine rowing classic called "Las Regatas Internacionales" in which eight-oared and four-oared crews, double and single scullers representing clubs of the different nationalities in Argentina struggle for supremacy.

This year's regatta, which fell on Armistice Day, was the first one since before the war in which there was a full representation of the best strength of all the clubs, British and German rowers, notably, having been absent. But both these nationalities were again well represented in this year's races, together with Italians, Spaniards, Scandinavians and Argentines.

Hundreds of skiffs, punts, shells, trim motorboats and luxurious yachts, decorated with flags and pennants of all nations, filled with spectators lined both banks of the river to watch the contests. Thousands of other spectators stood on the banks, many found perches in the poplar trees that hang over the stream, while every villa and boat club along both shores had its complement of cheering partisans.

The longest of the 12 races of the day was an eight oared senior contest of 2,500 metres, for a cup presented by the King of Spain. It was won by the Buenos Aires Rowing Club. Argentina, is 7 minutes, 14 seconds. A German club was second.

USE GAS MASKS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—Implicit faith in an instrument that saved the lives of thousands of American soldiers in France is daily endangering the lives of scores of men in industrial life in the United States, Dr. F. G. Cottrell, director of the Bureau of Mines said today, in another warning against the use of army gas masks in mine explosion and mine fires. Despite repeated warning from the department, miners and persons engaged in mine rescue work persist in using army gas masks. Dr. Cottrell said, although the devices are of practically no use in the average mine disaster.

Reviewing a number of cases recently where men attempting mine rescue work with army type gas masks had been overcome and had died, Dr. Cottrell said:

"These fatalities illustrate the futility of the belief quite prevalent throughout the country that this army type of gas mask will protect the wearer against any type of gases under all conditions. The fact is that the army gas mask was a very excellent device for the purpose intended, that of protecting our soldiers from the diabolical gases used in warfare. The mask gave the men such absolute protection that when they returned from France were so enthusiastic over its performance they were willing to endorse the gas mask for all purposes of protection against poisonous gases. These men, it would seem, do not realize that out in the open air of the battlefield the percentage of gas in the air would not be nearly so large as in the confined spaces of a mine or factory fire."

The army mask affords absolutely no protection against carbon monoxide which is most prevalent in mine fires and factory disasters, Dr. Cottrell said, adding that the masks were actually a menace because of the false feeling of security they give the wearer.

The bureau of mines endorses the use of the self-contained oxygen mine rescue breathing apparatus and is prepared to furnish information regarding its use.

NAUGHT NOW "O"

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 7.—"Naught" became "Oh" in Texas, telephonically speaking, with the advent of the New Year.

Although the figure "O" in a telephone number should be pronounced "naught," telephone officials declare, eastern cities have abandoned the correct pronunciation in favor of "Oh." Therefore, they say, to avoid inconvenience to visitors to the Lone Star state and to prevent the impression getting abroad that Texas considered itself "highbrow," the companies decided to conform to the general practice.

The order, according to officials, affects all exchanges in Texas.

JAPANESE FAMILIES BE PERMITTED TO AWAIT ARRIVAL OF REAL ESTATE AGENT

Oriental Ordered to Leave Harlington will Not be Forced to Go Until Effort has been Made to Secure Return of Money They Paid for Farms in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

BURNED TO DEATH IN FIRE IN CAFE TODAY

OTHERS PROBABLY FATALLY

BURNED WHEN TRAPPED IN

UPPER STORIES IN

HOTEL.

By Associated Press.

England, Ark., Jan. 7.—Six persons were burned to death and two probably fatally burned in a fire which destroyed the Royal Hotel Cafe early today. The dead are: Mr. and Mrs. Mack Rawles, employed at the hotel, and the following guests: Mrs. Jennie Anderson and nine-year old daughter, Mrs. A. Callahan and a man named Hoker. Those thought to be fatally burned are Dan Campbell and Will Heffner. The origin of the blaze is undetermined. The guests were trapped on the second floor of the hotel building when two stairways leading from the upper floors were cut off by the flames.

Died of Burns.

Little Rock, Jan. 7.—Calle Hufferton, one of the victims of the hotel fire at England, who was brought here for treatment, died soon after her arrival as the result of burns received.

ROBBED MAIL CAR.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 7.—The mail car on train No. 203 on the Pennsylvania railroad was broken into and rifled by robbers between here and Philadelphia today. Officials of the road are investigating to determine the value of the mail stolen.

RETURNED TO ARDMORE.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 7.—Clara Smith, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Jake Hamon, will return to Ardmore tonight following a conference here with her attorneys regarding the forthcoming trial.

JAP SOCIALISTS.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Jan. 24.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Japanese socialist are displaying considerable activity and are being closely watched by the police. Plans were recently discovered to form an international socialist society covering China, Japan, Korea and Siberia.

TROUBLE WITH MOROS.

By Associated Press.

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 12.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Moros of the Philippines never will submit to Filipino Christian domination and further trouble between them and native constabulary forces in Jolo is to be expected, according to E. Finley Johnson, associate justice of the supreme court of the Philippines. Justice Johnson accompanied by Mrs. Johnson was a passenger on the army transport Sherman enroute from Manila for San Francisco, from whence they expected to go direct to Marion, O., for a conference with President-elect Harding regarding conditions in the Philippines.

"The Moros are beginning to realize that the Americans no longer are looking after them," said Justice Johnson. "The trouble down there is just beginning. There will be more of it and plenty of it. What the Moros want is American administration by Americans, and unless they get it, they are going to cause trouble."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This is a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

By Associated Press.

Harlingen, Texas, Jan. 7.—Pending the arrival of the real estate dealer from California who is said to have sold farms to Japanese in various sections of the Rio Grande Valley, no efforts will be made here to compel two Japanese families to leave Harlingen. The party of eight Orientals, including four children, arrived Wednesday from California and were met at the train by a committee of citizens and informed that their presence was undesirable. They were given until Thursday to depart, but later were told they could remain until the arrival of the agent, who will be asked to refund the Japanese the amount paid for the two farms.

HARDING TO DISCUSS ARMY AND NAVY NOW

CONFERS AS TO POLICY TO BE

PURSUED UNTIL DISARMA-

MENT PLAN WORK-

ED OUT.

By Associated Press.

Marion, O., Jan. 7.—Representative Julius Kahn of California, chairman of the house military committee, is here today on invitation of President-elect Harding to discuss the question of army reorganization and general preparedness. The conference is one of a series to be held by Mr. Harding with those in charge of military matters with a view to reducing appropriations of the two establishments and developing a reserve personnel in both the army and the navy, agreeing on a definite policy to be pursued until a possible plan for disarmament is worked out by the association of nations.

THREE MEN WOUNDED AND THEN ARRESTED

THREE CORNERED FIGHT IN

TAYLOR COUNTY RESULT:

ED IN SERIOUS

CHARGES.

By Associated Press.

Abilene, Texas, Jan. 7.—B. N. Billingsley was released on \$1,000 bond and D. H. Thomas was released on a \$500 bond following the filing of complaints charging assault with intent to murder as the result of a three-cornered fight near Tye in this county. Both Billingsley and Thomas received knife wounds and John W. Childress received several bullet wounds.

SHORTAGE OF CURRENCY.

By Associated Press.

Manila, P. I., Nov. 20.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The co-operation of the Insular Government through the governor-general and the Philippine legislature in solving the financial problems resulting from the existing shortage of currency is requested in a resolution adopted by the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber of Agriculture of the Philippines.

The resolution asserts that "due to shortage of currency and to various other reasons there exists a general, grave paralysis of the business of the country and large crops are in danger of being lost."

The resolution further declares that "the situation is becoming increasingly critical and a speedy remedy to prevent a general bankruptcy is considered imperative."

WANTED TO SEE CRASH.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Jan. 7.—Four carpenters have confessed to the police that they removed planks from the bridge crossing Sakawa on the road to Hakone leaving large gaps in the roadway. Two motor cars each carrying passengers narrowly escaped disaster. The men said they had seen a motor car fall into a river in a cinema film and wanted to witness such an accident in reality.

INVITED DE VALERA TO COME TO LONDON

"PRESIDENT OF IRISH REPUBLIC"

ASKED TO CONFER WITH

PREMIER LLOYD

GEORGE.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 7.—Eamon de Valera, "president of the Irish Republic," is reported to have been invited to come to London to confer with Prime Minister David Lloyd George, says the Westminster Gazette today. Father Michael O'Flanagan, "vice president of the Irish Republic," is expected to arrive today. His coming is said to be in connection with peace discussions.

Given Demonstration.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 7.—Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork plans to leave here tomorrow for New York to attend a big demonstration there in his honor by the American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic.

STOP ENLISTMENTS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 7.—A unanimous favorable report was ordered today by the senate military committee on the resolution of Senator New (Republican) of Indiana directing the secretary of war to stop army enlistments until the total number of enlisted men is reduced to 175,000.

ONE OUT OF THREE.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 7.—While during the year 1920 Cupid was escorting 1,362 couples to the county clerks' office in El Paso county for marriage licenses, causes and effects from various sources forced 578 couples to the district court and obtained for them divorces, and gained for 20 other couples annulment of their marriages—an average of one out of three marriages being recorded as a failure.

Six of every ten cases were brought into court by wives. Ninety percent of the couples had been married less than five years. One divorced couple in every six had children, according to the records.

AUTOMOBILE SEALS.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 7.—Seals for the registration of automobiles in 1921 have been furnished to Dallas, Texas, Harris, Tarrant, El Paso and all of the larger counties in Texas, according to a statement by Rollin J. Windrow, state highway engineer. Up to now, 425,000 seals have been shipped to county authorities, which, together with 40,000 seals ready for the Travis county authorities and 25,000 on the way from the factory, leaves approximately 100,000 seals yet to be distributed. The counties have been supplied in alphabetical order so that the seals of each county shall be in a numerical block with no numbers skipped.

The department placed the order for the seals on June 14, 1920, calling for delivery Sept. 1, 1920, with the contractor under a \$5,000 surety bond and a penalty of \$25.00 per day after Sept. 1 for failure to deliver the seals on time. Lately the contractor has been sending the seals by express and in many instances direct to the county tax collectors.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATHARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1920.
Notary Public.
(Seal)
A. W. GLEASON.
Hall's Catharrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.
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Sold by all druggists. 7c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

ANOTHER PATRIOT.

Lord Mayor O'Callaghan, the successor to the late Terence MacSwiney, is in the United States on sufferance, having been released on his own recognizance pending a decision as to his admissibility as an alien temporarily residing here.

Mr. O'Callaghan arrived as a stow-away. He had no passport from the country to which he owes allegiance, and naturally our country could not recognize a passport from the "Irish Republic." So he stowed himself aboard an American steamship—whether with or without the connivance of the vessel's officers is not stated—and promptly upon his arrival at an American port he was held by our immigration authorities.

The chairman of the commission of the Committee of One Hundred, which sent for Mrs. MacSwiney and listened to her testimony as to conditions in Ireland, declared that Mr. O'Callaghan had not been asked to come, whereupon the Irish patriot stated that the editor of the New York Nation had invited him to come and testify before the commission.

Meanwhile, upon representations to Washington, O'Callaghan was released on his own recognizance—and presumably upon a condition of good behavior—pending the decision of the authorities as to whether he was a proper person to admit.

Now comes the crux of the whole affair. Mr. O'Callaghan is here not so much for the purpose of giving testimony before the committee as to rouse the Irish sympathizers in this country and encourage the Irish revolutionists in their revolt against a nation with whom we are at peace.

For it is declared that he is to proceed from Norfolk to New York, "to attend a demonstration there in his honor by the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic!"

It is incomprehensible that our government should permit these public "demonstrations" in favor of the Irish rebels and against the government of Great Britain, especially as we were associated with that country in the war and are still on friendly terms.

We could as soon expect the British authorities to permit a public assemblage in favor of the I. W. W. and against the United States. And the cases are parallel, for so far no government has acknowledged even the belligerency of the Irish Republicans, much less the legality of their "government."

It would have been well for Mr. O'Callaghan to postpone the demonstration in his honor until such time as he had been legally permitted to dwell here temporarily, and it would be within the right of the government to forbid his attending such a demonstration.

When Mrs. MacSwiney reached New York there was naturally a great demonstration. No one felt like interfering with it, for all respect her sorrow and sympathize with her in her great bereavement. So the public expressions of sympathy with her and admiration for her bravery and her loyalty to the memory of her husband were not frowned upon.

There have been many cases in this country of public demonstrations in favor of the Irish, and all feel that those who sympathize with them have a right to their opinions.

But there is a limit to what is permissible, and this limit would seem to have been reached when a man who is not yet certain that he will not be deported as an undesirable alien is made the central figure of a celebration which aims at aiding in the overthrow of a friendly government.

We are deporting other undesirables who are representatives of a government that has at least established itself, and we permit no public demonstrations in their honor. Let us at least be consistent.

PROFITS FROM VICE.

Perhaps the lowest form of animated being is the person who deals in vice for a profit. The bootlegger, the peddler and the one who traffics in fallen women—all are so debased as to be beneath the insects in the scale of creation.

At present there is considerable activity in the drug smuggling line. Occasionally a shipment is captured, and the vigilance of the officials makes it necessary for the drug runner to use every precaution. But the profits in the "business" are such as to appeal to a debased nature of that sort, and the risks are considered only commensurate with the money to be made.

The Harrison anti-narcotic law makes it increasingly difficult for the peddler of drugs to carry on his traffic without danger. The federal officials have the aid of the customs inspectors, who are constantly on the alert for contraband of this nature, and even the state officers are interested in putting an end to the unlawful traffic.

Behind all this illicit trade is a big ring—or a series of concentric rings—bent upon making money by "easy" methods. Opium is smuggled in from the Orient, foreign chemists sell morphine, heroin and cocaine to the agents of the ring and even United States officials have been suborned to aid in getting the contraband drugs through the customs and safely into the country.

Of late there has been a revival of

the border smuggling, not only of liquor but also of narcotics. The drugs are the more easily smuggled of the two, for a supply can be secreted about the person, in the clothing and even in cleverly devised hiding places in trunks and grips.

But the officials have begun to combat successfully these smuggling operations by employing spies—"observers," as they are more formally called, to send word of the purchase of forbidden drugs in Mexico, and not only the suspects, but those known to be carrying contraband, are carefully searched at the border.

Recently it was found that Galveston and San Antonio were being made distributing points for the operations of the drug peddlers, and important seizures of drugs were made, with the arrest of a few persons whose trail is expected to lead to those "higher up."

One trouble is that the heads of the drug ring have been able to elude capture, or have been able to clear themselves through technicalities and to escape punishment.

The mere drug peddler is bad enough, for he is responsible for many new addicts each year, some of whom try the dangerous pastime of drug using out of a desire for a novelty.

But those responsible for the business—the ones who are carrying on the traffic and even protecting their subordinates—because of the money in it should be punished to the fullest extent of the law.

Indeed, there seems no penalty great enough for the people who are responsible for this soul-destroying, degrading vice. It always ends in one way—the ruin of the drug addict and the disgrace of the relatives.

Scientists are agreed that there is no vice which has such far-reaching effects as that of drug-using. It leads to every sort of crime, and many a criminal offense usually charged to the inordinate use of alcohol can be traced to the deadening effect on the morals of the insidious drugs which are used by the lowest criminals, as well as by many in decent society.

The menace in the illicit drug trade lies not so much in the peddler or even the smuggler. It lies in the immunity from arrest and punishment of the directing chief who sees his profits increasing in the ratio of the increase in the number of drug addicts.

We kill a noxious serpent, yet at most he can destroy but two or three people. But the drug syndicate has slain its thousands.

CONTRACT LET YESTERDAY FOR TWO LARGE BUILDINGS

TWO NEW DORMITORY BUILDINGS FOR HOLDING INSTITUTE.

Clarence Jefferies Gets Contract For \$60,000 Worth of Additions and Improvements to Be Made.

Laredo has one educational institution that during the many years it has been located here has found it necessary to make additions from time to time, but the present demands made on the institution on account of its popularity both in this state and Mexico, necessitates providing more facilities for taking care of the constantly increasing number of students being enrolled. This institution is the Holding Institute, Dr. J. M. Skinner, president.

The enrollment of pupils at the beginning of the school term last September verily swamped the institution and Dr. Skinner was called upon to do some scheming to take care of the pupils, so in many cases he had to convert quarters used for other purposes into dormitories and rooms for pupils. Now, to meet the demands on the institution, additions and improvements costing \$60,000 will be made. Yesterday Dr. Skinner let the contract to Clarence Jefferies, building contractor, for the construction of a three-story dormitory, with auditorium on the first floor and 36 bedrooms on the second and third floors, and also a two-story dormitory of fifteen rooms for boys. These two new buildings are to be of brick and stone and fireproof throughout.

Contractor Jefferies was also awarded the contract for building a concrete building around the administration building. When all these additions and improvements are completed the Holding Institute will become one of the best equipped educational institutions in the state.

Medical Missionary Here.

Dr. L. J. Coppedge, who for twelve years was a medical missionary of the Southern Presbyterian Church in the Congo Belge in Africa, is in the city for a few days as the guest of Lawrence Wharton. Dr. Coppedge was an intimate friend of the brother and sister of Mr. Wharton, who are in Africa as missionaries. Owing to his health, Dr. Coppedge is not able to return to Africa and is being transferred to work in Mexico. He will speak tomorrow twice at the Presbyterian Church. He will speak in the morning to the Men's Bible Class and in the evening at the regular evening service. At the evening service Dr. Coppedge will describe the work of a medical missionary in the heart of the Dark Continent.

TIMES WANT ADS.

***** Money Makers *****

TWO KNOCKOUTS OCCURRED DURING BOUTS LAST NIGHT

FIRST CARD OF NEW ATHLETIC CLUB PROVED GREAT SUCCESS.

About 400 People, Including Some Ladies, Witnessed Clean, Snappy Bouts Staged Last Evening.

The first boxing exhibition pulled off by the recently formed American Legion Athletic Club of Laredo last night at the Lincoln Skating Rink proved to be the most successful event of the kind ever staged in Laredo, and a few ladies found the events clean and snappy throughout and the initial cards gave promise that in future still greater crowds, and even more ladies, will be attracted to these events, for they are assured that everything will be conducted in a clean, upright manner, and without disturbances, rowdiness, gambling or other offensive features.

Lieutenant Pierson, as announcer, last night made an address to those assembled in the building where the bouts were held in which he assured the people that there would be no gambling allowed in the place, that everything would be clean and upright in the fight and that perfect order and a wholesome atmosphere would be maintained at all times—that these bouts would be held every week under the auspices of the new club and he wanted to see the people of Laredo out in force to witness clean boxing programs. The first card last night fulfilled Lieut. Pierson's assurances. Captain Linnell was the referee in the ring last night, while Mr. Pierson and P. Hermann acted as the judges.

The first bout, between "Little Chick" and "Baby" Balon, at 115 pounds and scheduled to go four rounds, was one of the fastest bouts ever witnessed in Laredo, and at the fourth round the judges' decision being a tie, the referee ordered another round, and the popular decision was for "Little Chick."

The second bout, between "Battling" Liggett and "Kid" Maizo, at 125 pounds, and scheduled to go six rounds, was fast and furious and after about one minute of the second round "Battling" Liggett applied the kayo to Maizo.

The third bout on the card was between "Kid" Logan and "Knockout" Roland, at 150 pounds. It was the fastest and most furious fight of the 150-pound class ever witnessed in Laredo, and throughout the six rounds each man pommelled the other most unmercifully, but without results. At the end of the sixth round the judges decision being a tie, the referee did not order another round, but gave a decision in favor of Roland on points.

The main bout of the evening, between "Young" Weiner and "Battling" Haddad, at 135 pounds, and which was scheduled to go eight rounds, lasted for exactly one and three-quarters minutes, when Weiner landed a right to jaw that applied a kayo and sent Haddad to dreamland.

The next boxing card will be held by the American Legion Athletic Club on the evening of January 21 and announcement of the events that will take place on that date will be given later.

Notice.

I have transferred my grocery business to my son, H. Prats and in retiring from the business I wish to thank the people of Laredo for the liberal patronage and consideration accorded me and ask a continuance of same for my son.

MKS. N. M. de PRATS.

In taking over the business of my mother I respectfully solicit your patronage and in doing so I assure you that I will endeavor to give the same good service that was afforded by my mother, whom I am succeeding.

H. PRATS.

1-8-21.

SEVENTEEN MEN IN THE GANG WHO BATTLED WITH RANGERS

MEXICANS CUNNINGLY KEPT RANGERS AT A DISADVANTAGE.

Kept Gas Company Tents in Range So That Rangers Could Not Fire for Fear Killing Innocent Persons.

Captain William Ryan, Sergeant Keene and members of the ranger company which engaged in battle with Mexican smugglers on the Jennings ranch in Zapata county Thursday night returned to Laredo last night and brought definite details of the fight, which took place in a dense thicket where there are many high trees not far from the camps of the gas company.

There were a total of seventeen men in the gang, all armed, well mounted and well-provisioned, with pack mules and pack horses loaded with big quantities of Mexican booze. The rangers came upon the gang of Mexican outlaws not far from the gas company tents at 9 o'clock Thursday night. Sergeant Keene ordered the gang to throw up their hands, repeated the demand and finally told the leader, "Throw up your hands and surrender!" The leader, who was riding a big dun horse, insolently replied, "Surrender, hell!" and fired two shots at the rangers in rapid succession, one of the bullets cutting a branch off one of the high trees near Keene. The rangers quickly returned the fire and the Mexicans, who were between the rangers in front of them and the gas company tents in the rear, headed toward the gas company tents. For fear of hitting the tents with their high power bullets the rangers decided to maneuver about to get a better go at the Mexicans, but the outlaws kept on down the fence line to the tents and made their getaway across the Rio Grande. This fact in itself probably saved quite a number of the Mexicans from being killed, for the rangers took care not to fire in the direction of the tents and killing innocent persons.

The two pack horses killed carried 135 bottles of Mexican liquor and from broken glass found about the scene of the fight yesterday many bottles of booze were broken on other pack animals, while corn scattered about the place indicated that sacks of corn were also evidently hit by ranger bullets. One of the pack horses killed was branded "23" on the left thigh, and this may lead to a clue of horse theft. A package of letters recovered on one of the dead men may also give the officers a clue and some very valuable information.

Will Take Care of All the Federal Branches of the Mexican Government Except the Customs Service.

MODERN FEDERAL BUILDING ORDERED FOR NUEVO LAREDO

GOVERNMENT TO ERECT STRUCTURE TO COST \$100,000.

Because of the fact that Nuevo Laredo has been made the most important gateway to Mexico as a result of the growing business passing through there from Laredo, Texas, which now has a Mexican consulate general of Class 2, second only to New York, the Mexican government has decided to erect in Nuevo Laredo one of the handsome federal buildings to be found in any Mexican city along the border and preliminary work to that end is already in hand. The site selected for the new building is Zaragoza Plaza.

Alfonso Pallares, an architect in the employ of the Mexican government, arrived in Nuevo Laredo yesterday and will at once begin the preparation of plans and specifications of a handsome federal building of modern design to cost \$100,000 (Mexican gold.) Architect Pallares is already busy on the job and accumulating data. This building will accommodate the postoffice, immigration and all other federal departments except the customs service, which is housed in a building of its own erected a few years ago.

The plans will be prepared as soon as possible and submitted to the government for approval and it is expected that work of construction will begin on the handsome new building early in the coming spring. According to Mr. Pallares, it is not expected that the building will be completed and ready for occupancy until early in the year 1922.

Will Arrange to Escort Governors. President Obregon's staff, and the governors of the Mexican border states of Tamaulipas, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Chihuahua and their staffs will concentrate at Laredo to attend the inauguration of Governor Neff of Texas. A mass meeting of Laredo citizens will be called to select a delegation to escort these Mexican officials to Austin and return. Watch for announcement.

Notice to Owners Motor Vehicles.

This is to notify those concerned that I am now ready to issue 1921 licenses for motor vehicles.

H. LIGARDE,

Tax Collector Webb County.

1-8-21.

LOCAL NEWS

The body of J. O. MacDonald, who met a tragic death by going over the abutment of the international footbridge on the Mexican side Thursday morning and breaking his neck and back, was shipped to his home in Taylor, Texas, last night and the funeral takes place there this afternoon.

—Services of the Healing Mission next week at Christ Church will be announced in Monday's paper.

—The following marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk yesterday and this morning: Manuel Romero and Miss Rafaela Rodriguez, Eulalio Guerra and Miss Eloisa Rodriguez, Antonio Rodriguez and Miss Refugio Alguin, Bernardino Ramos and Miss Leonor Galvan, Nicolas Aguilar and Miss Maria Lopez, Juan Ignacio Rodriguez and Miss Ramona L. Barraz, Petronilo Cuellar and Miss Ester Cedillo, Pedro Cuellar and Miss Anita Laurel, Lucas Sanchez and Miss Angelita Trevino.

—The kindergarten at the Villegas building will re-open on Monday, January 10.

—Today dawned cloudy and threatening, and while the cold spell which was predicted yesterday to hit here last night had failed to materialize, the indications are good for rain—or they were up to noon today.

—Within the next few days the big trench-digging machine will be cutting its way through the business part of Laredo on Matamoros street, as it is making fast progress on the sewerage work and is making a dash down Matamoros toward the I. & G. N. station, though not breaking the speed laws.

—Work on the international footbridge is going right ahead and Contractor DePuy and his force of men are doing all the preliminary work that can be done while the Rio Grande is at its present low stage. All the preliminary work will be done on the piers, etc., before the rises come and then when the Rio Grande goes on a roar the overhead work can proceed uninterrupted.

—At the Presbyterian Church morning at the Bible Class and tomorrow evening at the regular evening service, Dr. L. J. Coppedge, for twelve years a medical missionary in the Congo in Africa, will speak of his work.

—Rev. E. H. Ward will preach at the morning service at Christ Church tomorrow.

Death of Mrs. Oscar Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Johnson received the sad news on Thursday announcing the death of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Oscar G. Johnson, who died that morning in Cherokee Hospital in Jacksonville, Texas, after a very brief illness and the funeral took place at Alamo, Texas, yesterday. While she spent only a few months in Laredo, during her short stay she had endeared herself to all whom she met. Her husband, Oscar Johnson, will be remembered as one of the Laredo volunteers who enlisted in Capt. Lobdell's company and served overseas, and his many friends extend him sincere sympathy in his irreparable loss.

SENT HIS GREETINGS AHEAD TO THE MEXICAN PRESIDENT

Samuel Gompers Wired Obregon of His Arrival in Nuevo Laredo and Extended Him His Felicitations.

President Samuel Gompers and the members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, who arrived here yesterday and crossed to the Mexican side late in the afternoon, left last night on their way to Mexico City. From Nuevo Laredo yesterday evening President Gompers sent the following telegram to President Alvaro Obregon:

Nuevo Laredo, Mex., Jan. 7, 1921. Honorable Alvaro Obregon, President of the Republic of Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico.

Upon arrival in Mexico my colleagues join me in sending you felicitations and expressions of highest regard and best wishes for your successful administration of the affairs of the Republic and for the welfare of the Mexican people.

We appreciate the cordial message of welcome extended to us by the delegation you sent to receive us. We anticipate the honor and the pleasure of meeting you at the Mexican capital.

SAMUEL GOMPERS, President, Pan-American Federation of Labor.

Notice to Auto Drivers.

The new ordinance governing automobile parking in the city becomes effective on next Sunday, January 9, 1921, and this is to inform the public that the same will be strictly enforced and I ask your co-operation to the end that the traffic police will not be forced to make arrests in order to make it effective. Leniency will be shown those who do not intentionally violate the new regulations until they become accustomed to it, but again I repeat the ordinance will be strictly enforced.

M. BRENNAN,

City Marshal.

1-8-21.

SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.
The Saturday Night Cotillion Club will meet at the Woman's Club at 7.30 o'clock in the evening.

There will be a dance at the Soldiers Club in the evening.

Monday.

Sunday.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian Church meets at 6.45 at the church Sunday evening.

The Junior B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church will meet at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Senior B. Y. P. U. will meet at the Baptist Church at 7 o'clock in the evening.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will hold its regular meeting in the League room of the Methodist Church at 6.30 o'clock in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian Church will meet in the church at 6.45 p. m.

There will be a business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society at the Methodist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and installation of officers for the new year.

Mrs. A. Huberich will entertain the Nullo Club at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
